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INTRODUCTION

I submit here a compilation of data on my own Albert line. The manuscript begins with William Albert and such data as I have found pertinent to him. My descent from him remains conjectural. The line seems to be well documented from Michael, who appears to be William's son, down to myself. I have such a massive collection of data on the descendants of Michael and particularly his son, Simon, that it has been necessary to limit this effort primarily to direct descendants in my own line. This was broadened to the extent that I have included a chapter on each of the children of my direct ancestors.

I had once hoped to prepare an Albert genealogy. I will probably never get the time to do the research necessary to do that. I still hope that some day I might prepare a more complete history of my own branch of the family, including collaterals, at least from the time when they first arrived in this country, as well as histories of other branches of my family. In this connection I have helped prepare a genealogy of the Chaffin family, early settlers of what is now Jackson County, Tennessee, coordinating my efforts with those of Olivia (Chaffin) Peterson and Leonard Chaffin.

I have not succeeded in one of the most difficult jobs of a genealogist, namely that of pinpointing the place of origin of the ancestor who was the first to come to this country. I have spent quite a lot of time on this task and have had the suggestions and help of some of the world's leading genealogists, both American and German, including such men as the late Von Frank, the late Archibald

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Bennett, and Milton Rubincam. There is overwhelming evidence that the family was of German origin.

The difficulty of my task has been increased by the fact that my people apparently came over before German ship records were kept. It has been further complicated by the repetition of Christian names.

This book is simply a first effort, designed to put together in one place the principal data in my possession on my direct line. Hopefully it will ultimately be possible to straighten out all the facts pertaining to this line of my family prior to the 1750's in America and thereafter to locate bona fide records of the family in Europe.

For the time being it seems wise to publish and distribute the incomplete data on my line. My hope is that this will cause relatives and others to help fill in the missing links.

While all the matter related to the family history is based either on acceptable records or on information furnished by relatives in position to know the facts, errors undoubtedly have crept into the picture. I invite any supplemental information from any source. If I am ever able to do a final draft on this job, I hope it will be both accurate and more complete.

In the William Albert chapter I have put down all the basic information in my possession on my branch of the Albert family. I have been able to locate descendants of most of the children of my great-great-great grandfather, Simon Albert, and of his oldest son, my great-great grandfather, Jacob Albert. I have also been able to locate, I think, all of the descandants of my great grandfather, Eli Albert, and his wife, Sophia Chaffin. I believe with very few ommissions, I have been

able to obtain a complete list of all their descendants down to 1953. I have made no effort to bring them down to date since that time. Unless otherwise stated family data pertinent to the present generation relate to facts furnished me by 1953.

Older data on the family have been derived from several sources. First is information furnished by relatives. Second are family records which I have been able to examine. Third are public records such as U.S. Census records; military records; land, marriage, birth and death records; and county histories. Fortunately some very good family records have been kept, the most important being that of John H. Ware, a cousin of my great grandfather, Eli Albert. I have referred to it many times.

In making this compilation I have not been content with just listing names, although names are important in tracing a family. When possible I have also given biographical and pertinent historical data which I hope will be helpful.

ARRANGEMENT

The arrangement is standard with minor variations. Roman numbers are used to number the children of a particular marriage usually in the order in which they were born. If a Roman number is followed by a plus sign (+), this means that the child is carried forward where further information is given. This is usually limited to those who are married and have families. Numbers not followed by a plus sign are not carried over.

Names in parentheses after a persons name show his line in ascending order from left to right. Thus the first person shown in parenthesis is his father or mother, etc. Maiden surnames are used for

female ascendants, as well as surnames of their immediate descendants, in order to make the lines readily intelligible.

THE ALBERT FAMILY NAME

The name "Albert", both as a family name and as a Christian name, is found in some form in many European countries. It seems to be more prevalent in France and Germany than elsewhere. Whether there is any relationship between families of this same name in the different countries I have not undertaken to determine. There appears to be evidence that some of the German families by the name of Albert originated in France. There is unsubstantiated tradition that this may have been true in the case of my own family.

Just who the first Albert to come to America may have been I have made no effort to learn. The earliest record of an Albert in this country to come to my attention was that of one Daniel Albert who died October 6, 1694 in South Carolina and is referred to in Volume 8, page 16, South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Records. There is no evidence to my knowledge that Daniel Albert was related to my family.

In the early days, among Americans of German descent, an approximation of the German pronunciation of the name Albert was generally used. Thus, the name was pronounced with a broad "A", as though it were spelled "Allbert". Most families have long since anglicized the pronunciation, using the short "A", pronouncing it like the English Christian name "Albert". The use of the broad "A" among Albert families is still not uncommon, however. Some of my own relatives cling to it. In the case of my own family, it seems

that Eli Albert, my great grandfather, adopted the modern pronunciation when he left Marion County, Illinois, to settle in Southwestern Missouri about 1857. One of his brothers, William Albert, of Denton, Texas, retained the old pronunciation and, in order to avoid confusion, one of William's sons, William Franklin, changed the spelling to "Allbert".

FIRST GENERATION - WILLIAM ALBERT

The best hypothesis I have at this time of the name of my great-great-great grandfather in the male line is that it was William Albert. Direct proof is lacking. We do know that there was a William Albert living in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, in the 1750's as shown by extant tax and church records for that decade, as will be shown in all the detail that we have in the consideration of what we shall call our Second Generation, MICHAEL ALBERT. It seems clear that William Albert was of German origin, probably of German birth. A Pennsylvania German or Pennsylvania Dutch origin of my Albert line is a wide-spread tradition in my family and has been in all branches since as far back as I can remember. My grandfather, Granville Albert, told me that his father told him this. They were unlearned people who could not possibly have picked up this tradition from research. In later years I learned from collateral relatives whose people had long since been removed from my branch of the family that this same tradition was consistently held by their parents and grandparents. Anne McLaughlin, nee Albert, granddaughter of Willis Albert told me this in Sandoval, Illinois, in 1955, although she said some authorities thought they could have been originally descended from French Huguenots. Her cousin, Elmer Albert, told me that all of his people thought we were of German descent. Going much further back, John H. Ware, in his Family Record, says that his grandfather, Simon Albert, was of "the Dutch descent, a blacksmith

by trade". John H. Ware was a son of the marriage of Henry Ware and Catherine Albert, daughter of Simon and Mary Albert. John H. Ware was born in Marion County, Illinois, January 3, 1828. He was a neighbor of his first cousin, my great grandfather, Eli Albert, as a boy in Marion County, Illinois, and as a man in Southwestern Missouri. Eli Albert, son of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young, was born June 11, 1828, in Marion County, Illinois. John H. Ware's Record was started about 1870. It is in the possession of Mrs. Ernest Harrison Ware of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Xeroxed copies, indexed by me, are on file in most major genealogical libraries of the country. It is an invaluable family document and will be referred to several times in the course of this genealogy. Interested family members should read it from cover to cover. Suffice to say here that family tradition is wide spread and strong and is one point of consistency with a relationship to William Albert and other Alberts of Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Our assumption that William Albert may have been our immigrant ancestor is based upon the hypothesis that William Albert was the father of Michael Albert, also of Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, as will be shown in the next chapter. Since the evidence that Michael Albert was in the ancestral line is far stronger than that pertaining to William Albert, and since our speculation that the latter is the father of the former is based on data pertinent to the former, we will supply and discuss the relevant evidence in our chapter on Michael Albert. We will also discuss in the same chapter our hypothesis

as to who were William Albert's children. These we will list here.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM ALBERT

(Based on hypotheses and not definite proof)

i. MICHAEL ALBERT (2+)
ii. JOHN ALBERT (3)
iii. ADAM ALBERT (4)

SECOND GENERATION

2. MICHAEL ALBERT (William)

My great-great-great-great grandfather in the male line appears to have been Michael Albert. Neither the date nor the place of his birth is known. His will was written in German, but he could well have been born in America. He died in December, 1774, in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The names of his parents have not been established, but, as we have previously indicated and will hereafter point out, he may have been a son of William.

The following deed appears to have put Michael Albert in business in Tulpehochen Township:

> Deed, dated May 20, 1751, recorded September 20, 1764, Book 4A, page 24, Deed Records, Berks County, Pennsylvania: Tobias Hegley, Tulpehochen Township, Lancaster County, (later Berks County), to Michael Albert, Jr. of the same place, 180 acres of land in Tulpehochen Township.

Since as will hereinafter be shown, extant tax records in Tulpehochen Township list only one Michael Albert, he must have been a "junior", and he must, therefore, have had an older relative (father, grandfather or uncle) of the same name. It would also appear that since the word "junior" was used in this deed and was not generally used by him in other instances (except as will be seen in the Stoever baptism of his son, John William), it must have been used for the purpose of showing that this land was to be identified to be his as against some other Michael Albert somewhere around. This would suggest that he had an older Michael Albert relative in the area even though there does not appear to have been another in the immediate township. The deed raises another question. Why was Michael Albert so late in having his deed recorded? Why did he record it at all thirteen years after the purchase? This may suggest some transaction which might show up in the court house or elsewhere in 1764. Note that the Hegley deed also gives one further minor bit of evidence, namely Michael Albert was already in Tulpehochen Township when he bought the land.

We do not know when Michael Albert, Jr. first went to Tulpehochen Township. In his History of Berks and Lebanon Counties, D. Rupp lists what he calls a list of early Tulpehochen settlers, but he does not give the source of his information. He indicates that in 1723 a group of Germans and French Huguenots came to the Tulpehochen region from the Schohaire District in New York. I must

say, however, that I have not been able to find any Michael Albert on any Schohaire list. Nevertheless, Rupp lists a Michael Albert as one of the settlers of Tulpehochen, but since he does not give the source of his list it is not possible to pin down the date of his list. However, an examination of his list against extant Tulpehochen lists and shipping lists indicates it must have been much later than the 1720's, probably as late as the 1750's. I myself believe that the Michael Albert he found is the one who will hereafter be shown on the 1752 and subsequent Tulpehochen tax list. Of 136 names appearing on Rupp's list, I find the same or similar names 94 times on either the 1752 or 1754 Tulpehochen tax lists. Also I find on the Heinke-Strassburger shipping lists 59 such names, all after 1727 and some as late as the early 1750's.

Michael Albert left a will, written in German and dated December 6, 1774. The original will, the clerk's German copy and official English translation, and such probate proceedings as are extant are on file in the Berks County Court at Reading, Pennsylvania.

According to Michael Albert's will his wife's name was Margaret. What her maiden name was, whether she was his first and only wife, and when and where she married Michael Albert, I have not been able to determine. It would appear from Northkill Church records hereafter that Margaret was the mother of all Michael's children hereinafter listed.

The will names Michael's oldest son as William, the second as

Adam, and the third and youngest as Simon. The two oldest sons were left their "smith's tools". The will refers to the daughters of Michael Albert but not by name. Johannes Albert and Philip Klarr were designated executors. George Miller and Nicholas Miller were witnesses.

The following extract from the will is pertinent:

"Firstly, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Margaret, the government of my place or plantation as long as she remains a widow, until my beloved son Simon, my youngest son in my lifetime, is twenty one years old.***. Secondly, it shall be done with the place that when my son Simon is of age of twenty one the place shall be appraised for which purpose each of my sons shall chuse an impartial man, William one, Adam one, Simon one, who shall appraise and put a price upon it; will my son Simon keep the same alone then shall it be wholly his; but if both sons, namely Simon and Adam can by their own agreement or by impartial men make an equal partition, then shall it be divided, but in case my son Simon shall not keep the place at the sum at which it is appraised it shall then be sold or set up at vendue:***

"Fourthly, William my eldest son and Adam the second, shall each of them have their "Smith's Tools". and

the third, namely, Simon, shall, instead of his Smith's tools, have fifteen pounds in money. Fifthly, each of my daughters shall have a bed, and a cow or ten pounds in money instead thereof. Sixthly it is to be mentioned that when my son Simon is twenty one years old then is her provision as follows, to wit, seven bushels of wheat, and eight bushels of rye yearly, an hundred pounds of pork, a cow to be taken out of the stable, yearly, which she will a quarter of flax, one pound in money, a bed to be kept in good condition, a pair of shoes and woolen cloths when necessary a riding beast, and a house in case they cannot live together in peace, and the fruit of the third row of trees in the orchard and good attendance in old age when helpless.***

The probate file shows that the estate was inventoried December 27, 1774, putting Michael Albert's death as coming somewhere between December 6th, the date of the will, and the preceeding date and indicating that the will was written in anticipation of death.

It is difficult to know whether all the probate papers are on file. In addition to the inventory made shortly after death, Pastor Frederick Weiser, a Lutheran Minister and Librarian of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, and Pennsylvania German genealogist has located

three accounts filed in the estate dated March 12, 1778, and Pastor Weiser expresses the opinion that these were for payments made relatively soon after death. He believes they represent the expense of settling the estate and payment of such debts as Michael Albert might have had at the time of his death. The total outlay amounted to two hundred and forty pounds and three pence. Payments were made, mainly in small amounts, to a large number of individuals. These payments would probably tell many stories if they could only be properly interpreted. These will be listed with the hope that they might be helpful down the line or might come to the attention of someone who can furnish additional information. I will make comments only on those that are suggestive on the basis of information which I now have. The first eight, all in small amounts, mean nothing to me. They are Iasaac Young, Daniel Broadhead, Collinson Read, Ludwig Zahrung, Henry Speycker, Jacob Kaufman, Ed Woods, and John Hartman. The ninth, one of the larger items, eight pounds, ten shillings, was to Philip Klar for a bond, Klar being one of the executors of the will. The next four are Joseph Schomo, Samuel Filbert, Frederick Degler, and Jacob Loos. John Albert received five pounds, fourteen shillings. He was an executor of the will and probably a brother of the testator. Next, thirteen shillings went to George Miller, a witness to the will. The next five are Nicho Keim, Hieronimus Hermig, Ludwig Wintenberg, Hans Weaver, and George Gutlander. Then comes Nicholas Miller, the other witness to the will. Next are Adam Emrich and Conrad Wirt, the latter, apparently a well known

person of the area, also got a later payment. Then comes Gotfried Rohner and Henry Ketner, who furnished a bond and received L20/S8/P7. George Ney, Benj. Spycher, George Linn, and John Hochsteeler follow. William Albert, doubtless Michael's son, received L1/2/0, as well as two later and larger payments. He is followed by Henry Ketner, Hans Meyer, and two illegible names. Then come Ludwig Lupp; Anna Maria Holderman; Michael Emrich; George Schultz; Frederick Kercher; Benedict Inhoff; Henry Schabler; Philip Brucker; who received the largest amount, to wit 111/10/6; Henry Gross, Conrad Wird and John Conrad Henne. Michael Albert, possibly a nephew of the testator got 4/10/0. Nicholas Long, Conrad Reber, Geo. May, Bernhard Beck, Conrad Ruhl, Thomas Long, Katherin Kroin and Leonard Emrich received varying amounts. Suzanna Kanterin got 3 shillings, six pence, and Anna Marg. Weaverin, two shillings: Pastor Weiser believes these women prepared the corpse for burial. The name Kanter should be noticed because Michael Albert's son, William, married Catherine Kantner. Reverend Mr. Stovy, who Pastor Weiser says was the pastor of Northkill (Zions of Blue Mountain) Church at the time, received a small payment, and his services were undoubtedly for the funeral sermon. Adam Albert, probably a brother or son of the deceased, received 4 shillings, 6 pence, and William Albert and Jacob Cohan got 12 shillings six pence; James Whitehead L2/5/0 for drawing the account; and Henry Christ, esq., Register L0/18/6 for filing the will and the inventory.

The next account was an interim report covering the years 1779-1787 showing rent money coming from the property and outlays such as taxes and other expenses. This indicates that the property may have been rented out and not farmed by the heirs during this period. Next came two sheets which constituted the last account. These were dated January 13, 1791 and May 28, 1791, and must have come about the time when Simon was twenty one years old at which time the will called for the settlement of the estate. It will be noted later that this is consistent with the baptismal record of Simon Albert found in the records of the Zions of Blue Mountain Church, as will be seen hereafter. For some reason no distribution to Simon or Margaret Albert is shown.

The only payment shown, except for expense items, in these accounts was L10 to Adam Albert and others for the use of Catharina Albert. Pastor Weiser assumes that this was the widow. He says that perhaps her name was Margaret Catharina or that more likely she was called "Cretha" or "Gretha" as the word would be pronounced in the dialect and the English speaking clerk and the English clerk mistook as a nickname for Catherina. The alternative, he says, is that a daughter, named Catharina, required special care. In event L155/19/9 were left with no distribution shown. There must have been a later filing. A third possibility is that it could possibly have been Michael's daughter-in-law, wife of William.

No deed for Michael Albert's land has been found as having been

given by the executors or the heirs. Whether such a deed was recorded is, of course, not known. The last tenant appears to have been Henry Bortner and he may have bought the place. John Walters was shown as a previous tenant. Also shown paying interest to the estate in 1791 was Conrad Felty. This may be of interest because a Conrad Felty and a Simon Albert are both in the tax records of Logan County, Kentucky, in 1800. Sally Albert, daughter of Simon Albert, as will be shown by a later family record, married a man by the name of Felty.

Michael Albert and his family were for a number of years communicants of a German Reformed Church (sometimes also used by the Lutherans), located in Tulpehochen Township and known as Zions of Blue Mountain or Northkill Church. M. L. Montgomery in his History of Berks County (1880) says: "Blue Mountain Church near Strausstown was also called "North Kill" Church." First it was a Reformed Church only and then the Lutherans obtained an interest in it when the present (1880) house was built in 1819, since which time it has been mutually managed.***. The first meeting house was of logs of small size and stood in the graveyard.***.

"On the church property a small school house was built, soon after the first church, and schools were regularly taught by German Teachers."

"The present church (1959) is housed in a building on a hill above the old church site and graveyard. It is a fine stone structure built in 1904." (F.W. Balthoner, The Story of Berks County)

My family and I have visited the new church and the old graveyard below it. If any tombstones of any members of the Albert family were ever erected in the graveyard they have disappeared.

Copies of extant records of the Zions of Blue Mountain Church are on file in Fackenthal Library, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Following are pertinent extracts:

MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	WILLIAM bapt. Feb. 22, 1752	WILLIAM ALBERT & wife
Frederick Stubb & wife	Michael bapt. Dec. 10, 1751	MICHAEL ALBERT & wife
Adam Jacoby & wife	Anna Margaret bapt. Aug. 5, 1753	Kilian May MARGARET ALBERT
MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	ANNA MARIA bapt. May 18, 1754	Sigmund Henley & wife
JOHN ALBERT & wife	MARIA ELIZABETH bapt. Aug. 10, 1766	John Lang & wife
MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	MARIA BARBARA b. Nov. 1, 1767 bapt. Nov. 29	JOHN ALBERT & wife
Jacob Zerke & wife	John Michael bapt. Feb. 7, 1768	MICHAEL ALBERT & wife
Herber Berger & wife	Maria Barbara b. Apr. 7, 1768 bapt. Apr. 24	JOHN ALBERT & wife
Ludwig Lang & wife	Maria Barbara bapt. Aug. 21, 1768	JOHN ALBERT & wife
ADAM ALBERT & wife	SUSANNA CATHARINE b. Dec. 5, 1768 bapt. Dec. 25	Lazarus Wengert & wife
JOHN ALBERT & wife	CHRISTINE b. Dec. 19, 1768 bapt. Dec. 25	Henry Schehler & wife

MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	JOHN SIMON bapt. July 29, 1770	Simon Groh & wife
MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	ANNA bapt. Feb. 5, 1770	John Adam Albert & wife
Philip Klar & wife	John bapt. Apr. 14, 1776	JOHN ALBERT & wife
George Christ & wife	Anna Maria bapt. Feb. 5, 1775	JOHN ADAM ALBERT & wife

Other church records in the area which may be pertinent will be listed here.

TULPEHOCHEN (TRINITY) REFORMED CHURCH, 1748-1800
BAPTISMS:

JOHANNES ALBERT & BARBARA	MARIA BARBARA geb. 8 Martz get May 1773	Elderen

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Philip Bruecker & wife Catarina (Bern)	John Michael b. June 12, 1758 bapt. June 25, 1758	JOHN MICHAEL ALBERT* & Maria Margaretha
Andreas Schadt (Tulpehochen)	Anna Elizabeth b. Sept. 16, 1759 bapt. Sept. 23, 1759	JOHN ALBERT & Anna Elizabeth Philbert

Of the former entry Pastor Frederick Weiser says, "I'd say this is your ancestor who died in 1774. His name is fully given here as is his wife's. That alone is interesting. It is useful to have one more family with whom he was associated as a sponsor. This might give us a clue to his wife's identity."

The following is also interesting. From Egle's Notes and Queries, annual volume for 1896, page 62, The Records of John Casper Stoever

(a Lutheran minister who traveled over a wide extent of the frontier in the middle of the 18th Century): "John Wilhelm Albert, son of Michael Albert, Jr., of the Blue Mountains, born Feb. 1752, baptized March 1, 1752. Sponsors: John Wilhelm Albert and wife." This indicates that exactly one week after he was baptized in a Reformed Church, John William Albert was again baptized by the famous Lutheran minister. We have found no explanation for this.

The extant tax records for Tulpehochen Township show that the various Alberts mentioned in the Zion's of Blue Mountain Church records were taxables during the same period.

1754 Assessment (Annals of Berks County, Vol. 1, pages 8-15, Assessments believed to have been made in 1752)
Michael Albert
William Albert

1759 Taxables (History of Berks County, M.L. Montgomery - 1880, pages 1083-1086)
Albrech, Michael L2
Albert, William L10
Single Men
Albert, John

1767 Proprietary returns (Penn. Archives, 3rd Series, Vol. 18, page 74)
Alwerd, Hans, grist mill, 100 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, 3 sheep, tax 8
Alwerd, Adam, 50 acres, 1 horse, 1 cow, tax 2
Alwerd, Michael, 40 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, tax 4

1768 Proprietary Returns (Penn. Archives, Supra, page 163)
Alwerd, Hans, mill, 100 acres, 1 horse, 2 cows, 10 sheep, tax 6
Alwerd, Adam, 60 acres, 1 horse, 1 cow, tax 2
Alwerd, Michael 100 acres, 3 horses, 2 cows, 4 sheep, tax 3

1770 Tax list
Hans Albert
Michael Albert
Adam Albert

1774-1775 Tax List
John Albert
Adam Albert
Single:
William Albert

1779 Register of Property (Penn. Archives, Supra, page 283)
Albert, William, Blacksmith, 70 acres, 2 horses, 2 cows, tax 576
Albert, Michael, dec'd, 100 acres, tax 450
Albert, Adam, 115 acres, 2 horses, 2 cows, tax 1, 120
Albert, John, grist mill, 50 acres, 2 horses, 6 cows, tax 2, 620

1780 Return and Assessment (Penn. Archives, supra.)
Albert, John, grist mill, 50 acres, 4 horses, 5 cows, tax 29.2.6
Albert, Mich'l, tax 8.7.6
Albert, William, bl'ksmith, 2 horses, 2 cows, tax 10.0.0

1781 Return and Assessment (Penn. Archives, supra)
Albert, John, 115 acres, 2 horses, 2 cows, tax 2.8.4.
Albert, John, miller, grist mill, 154 acres, 4 horses, 4 cows, tax 5.10.0
Albert, William, bl'ksmith, 145 acres, 3 horses, 1 cow, 2.10.0
Albert, Michl's estate 150 acres, tax 2.16.0

1784 Return and Assessment (Penn. Archives, supra)
Albert, Adam, still 115 acres, 3 horses, 3 cows, 7 persons
Albert, John, gristmill, 150 acres, 4 horses, 4 cows, 2 sheep

1785 Assessment (Penn. Archives, supra, page 801)
Albert, John, tax 2.10.3

Unfortunately, these are the only tax records I have been able to locate for Tulpehochen Township for the period in question. There are spans of several years between some of the lists. However, based on these tax lists and the deed, will, and church records above cited certain observations appear to be in order. First, it appears that Michael Albert was in Tulpehochen Township at least as early as 1751, and probably earlier, and that he lived there the rest of his life. Secondly, he appears to have died before he became an old man. His youngest son was born just four years before his death. Third, it appears that only one Michael Albert was living in Tulpehochen Township during most of this period. Fourth, as heretofore indicated, he was twice listed as a "junior" and must have had an older relative

in America names Michael. Fifth, there were other Alberts in the township whose church and business connections with Michael Albert were such as to justify the conclusion that they were doubtless his relatives and perhaps even close relatives. Sixth, there were two William Alberts; the younger, a blacksmith, was a namesake of the older and a son of Michael Albert. Seventh, there were two Adam Alberts, the older first appearing on the tax rolls in 1767, and the younger the second son of Michael. Eighth, there was a John Albert, witness to the baptism of one of Michael's children and an executor of Michael's will.

Another comment appears to be in order. The last of the above mentioned tax lists, the one for 1785, contains the name of only one Albert, John. The others show up about this time in Frederick County, Virginia. This appears to be an important point in the identity of the family as it moved away from Tulpehochen Township.

The next, and one of the toughest problems of this genealogy is who was the father of Michael Albert and where was he born. As we have previously indicated, we can only give hypothetical answers at this time. We believe that it was William.

The best place to begin seems to be with the above church, tax, and land records, which seem to pin Michael Albert down from 1751 until his death in 1774. These various records seem to point at once to two names, Michael and William, Michael because the Michael in reference was twice listed as a "junior", and William because Michael's oldest son was William and his sponsor at his baptism was also a

"William Albert". This latter William Albert appears in Tulpehochen tax records for 1754 and 1759, but he does not appear in later extant tax records. A William Albert, a single man, does appear in 1774, but this had to be Michael's oldest son who was born in 1752. All this points to the possibility that the older William Albert had died before 1767. The other Alberts, John and Adam, were still living in the 1780's and appear, therefore, probably to have belonged to the generation of Michael Jr. of Tulpehochen. The facts do not prove but are consistent with a presumption that the older William may have been the father of Michael, Jr., John, and Adam, after whom Michael's second son may have been named.

Following this hypothesis it seems we should begin a search for records of any William and Michael Albert who may have been in Pennsylvania before 1751. In the process, we should also pick up, wherever possible the names, "John Albert" and "Adam Albert".

For whatever it is worth we will find the names, Michael and William, cropping up in every generation of Alberts in my family from the time of Michael of Tulpehochen to the present. It is another interesting fact that in extant church and public records prior to 1750 the names "Michael Albert" and "William Albert" frequently appear together. This we will see as we list the data we have found. Unfortunately this does not solve the problem, for we will also see that there was more than one William Albert and more than one Michael Albert in the first half of eighteenth century Pennsylvania. We find some already there before others who were on the shipping lists

between 1727 and 1750. The best we can do now is to list our findings and undertake to draw reasonable inferences from them.

The earliest records I have been able to find of any Alberts in Pennsylvania have been Michael and William. I believe they were the first of the name in the colony. We will now set down the data we have. The first notation I have found of this pair is from Rupp's Collection of 30,000 names, Swiss and German settlers in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, pages 435-37, 1719.

MICHAEL ALBERT
WILLIAM ALBERT

A "Nicholas Miller" was on the same list. This may have no significance, but it is interesting to note that a "Nicholas Miller" was a witness to the will of Michael Albert of Tulpehochen in 1774. Could the Rupp "Nicholas" have been an older member of the same family, and could the Alberts and Millers been associated as far back as 1719.

Unfortunately Rupp does not give the source of his data. If we could find this it might be helpful.

The first reference to a public record I have found of Michael and William Albert is a tax roll of the Pequia District, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for 1725-1726 (Vol. 20, page 188, Lancaster County Historical Papers). They evidently lived in what is now Upper Leacock Township, Lancaster County, where they were members of Hellers Reformed Church in 1740-1744 (Life and Letters of Rev. Boem by W. J. Hinke, pages 62-63, 385-386). The names, Michael and William Albert, do not appear in later available records for Upper Leacock

Township, so they must have moved.

Warranties of land again confirm the connection between an early Michael and an early William Albert. Indeed these are the first two Alberts to obtain Warranties of lands in Pennsylvania. A complete list of all Alberts found in the records of such warranties in the Land Office of the Department of Internal Affairs, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is as follows:

Warrantee	No. of Acres	County of Location	Date
ALBERT, WILLIAM	200	Lancaster	Jan. 8, 1733
ALBERT, MICHAEL	130	Lancaster	Jan. 8, 1733
ALBERT, GEORGE	200	Lancaster	May 22, 1734
ALBERT, SEBASTIAN	100	Lancaster	Feb. 23, 1748-49
ALBERT, WILLIAM	100	Lancaster	Sept. 15, 1749
ALBERT, FRANCIS	100	Lancaster	Apr. 4, 1751
ALBERT, JOH. GEORGE	150	Lancaster	Aug. 7, 1738
ALBERT, WILLIAM	200	Berks	Feb. 14, 1739
ALBERT, GEORGE Lot	35	Berks	Feb. 3, 1752
ALBERT, BASTIAN	50	Berks	Jan. 10, 1755
ALBERT, WILLIAM	50	Berks	May 1, 1755
ALBERT, ADAM	40	Berks	Apr. 4, 1771
ALBERT, JACOB	53-57	Berks	June 11, 1767
ALBERT, JACOB	43-80	Berks	June 11, 1767
ALBERT, JACOB	100	Berks	Aug. 13, 1789

Naturalization records continue the case for a Michael-William Albert relationship. On May 19, 1739, Michael and William Albert were naturalized. (Lists of Naturalizations quoted in H. Frank Eshleman, Historic Background and Annals of the Swiss and German Pioneer Settlers of Southeastern Pennsylvania - Lancaster - 1917 - pages 265-267).

The following, from the Marriage Records of John Casper Stoever, 1730-1779 (Egle's Notes and Queries 1896) may be pertinent:

1735, Oct. 14, JOHN WILHELM ALBERT and Maria Eva Allgayer, Leacock

(page 82)

1746, Feb. 11, Michael Askermann and ANNA BARBARA ALBERT, Lebanon (page 90).

From the baptismal records of John Casper Stoever we find the following:

WILLIAM ALBERT & wife, sponsors for Maria Eva, daughter of John Wolf Allgayer (Tulpehochen), born April 25, 1736, baptized May 23, 1736.

Likewise, the following from John Casper Stoever's Baptismal Records for the same period for Northkill:

WILHELM ALBERT	JOHN ADAM ALBERT b. Feb. 27, 1741 bapt. Apr. 12, 1741	Sponsors: Adam Bollman & wife also Elizabeth Kraft

These records seem to strengthen very materially the assumption that the William Albert who lived in Leacock was the same one who lived in Tulpehochen.

These entries from Stoever's records require discussion. If the John Wilhelm Albert who married Maria Eva Allgayer, Leacock, Oct. 14, 1735, was the same person who appeared in Tulpehochen Tax Records in the 1750's, and if the latter was the father of Michael, who died in 1774, then this was surely a second marriage. Otherwise, Michael would have been no more than sixteen or seventeen years old when his first son was born and when he purchased land in Tulpehochen Township.

Was the William Albert who married Maria Eva Allgayer the same person as the William Albert whose son, John Adam, was born Febr. 27, 1741, and baptised at Northkill by John Casper Stoever April 12, 1741?

I have no definite answer but assume that both William Alberts were the same person. It appears highly probable that the John Adam Albert baptized by John Casper Stoever, and his father, William, were the same people who were later in Tulpehochen Township. The John Adam Albert in reference would have been twenty-one years old in 1762. The tax records for Tulpehochen Township for 1754 and 1759 showed a William Albert but no Adam Albert. Adam does appear on the 1767 list, the first extant list after his twenty-first birthday. The last list for Tulpehochen prior to 1762 was the 1769 list. This is evidence that Adam may have reached a taxable age between 1759 and 1767. This appears to me to establish his identity.

March 27, 1744, there was a call issued from the Tulpehochen Reformed Congregation to John Philip Boehm signed by six men, one of them a William Albert (Hinke, page 385).

As for the older Michael Albert, the last record I have found of a person of this name in the present boundaries of Lancaster County was a baptismal record at the Reformed Congregation in Lancaster, today First United Church of Christ, as follows:

John Leonard Muller and wife, Maria Sophia Geihel	John Michael Jan. 12, 1740	Sponsors: MICHAEL ALBERT and his wife, Elizabeth Leizin (Ludt-Leidy?)

ELIZABETH ALBERT and Abraham Huber were sponsors for Elizabeth, daughter of Bernhardt Rauch (Northkill) born September 22, 1744, baptized October 14, 1744.

However, the name does appear twelve years later in Bethel Township, Lancaster (now Lebanon) County in the following transactions:

Deed, dated Oct. 30, 1752, of 112 acres, Israel Pemberton, Jr. to Michael Albert in Bethel, Lancaster County.

Deed, July 4, 1754, Michael Albert to John Casper Stoever (Lancaster Deeds, D-78).

Extracts from the will of Michael Albert (Lancaster Wills B-1-64), is as follows:

"In the name of God, Amen, the sixth Day of March*** (1754); I Michael Albert of Bethel Township in the County of Lancaster and Province of Pennsylvania, Blacksmith,***I give and bequeath to my well beloved cousin Jacob Albert, whom I likewise constitute, make and ordain my only and sole executor of this my Last Will and Testament, all and singular the land***and appurtenances to him, his heirs and assigns forever, together with all my household goods and moveables, chattels and money whatsoever belonging to my estate. Excepting I give to my brother Conrath Albert or his heirs one shilling. Signed by Michael Albert, and witnessed by Jacob Taunny, Wendle Shiber and Peter Spycher.

Will verified by witnesses, November 5, 1754.

That this Michael Albert had a brother, William Albert, is shown by the following caveat:

Lancaster, October the 11th 1754
"I hereby enter a Caveat against providing the will of my Brother Michael Albert Deceased."

his mark
William Albert

"The objections in favour of the above Caveat were considered and the Will confirmed and Probate Ordered to Granted Before Edwd. Shippen Drp. Reg. & Emanuel Carpenter, Adam Simon Kuhn, Robert Thompson, & Al. Esqs.
Justices, 5th Nove. 1754."

Two distinguished genealogists who have reviewed the above mentioned records separately were in accord that William Albert of the Pequia District, Lancaster County, 1725-1726 and the William of Tulpehochen Township were one and the same person and that he was the father of Michael, Jr. of the same Township.

In a letter, dated July 5, 1960, the late Archibald F. Bennett, General Secretary, Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah, wrote me: "I believe Johan William Albert was the father of your Michael Albert, whose will was dated Dec. 6, 1774. *** It is quite possible that the Michael Albert and William Albert on the tax rolls for 1725-1726, are the oldest Michael, and his son William, the latter of whom I believe to be your progenitor.***"

Pastor Frederick Weiser, Hanover, Pennsylvania, who has made an extensive search of records in Southeastern Pennsylvania concludes in a letter dated September 21, 1970, that the evidence supports the following conclusion: "Wm. and Michael Albert, brothers in Lancaster county by 1726, had landed warranted 1733. Michael's was patented to him in 1739, but he sold it at an unknown date and moved to Bethal,

Lancaster, where he died in 1754. William moved to Tulpehochen, however, by 1740, where he held three tracts of land. Since he is the only Albert in Tulpehochen, has a son Adam - who held land near William's - I can only assume that he is the father of your Michael."

In a previous letter, Pastor Weiser said, inter alia:

"John Casper Stoever, pioneer Lutheran clergyman, performed Oct. 14, 1735, the wedding of John William Albert and Maria Eva Allgayer. He lists the place as Leacock. I assume that this is the same William mentioned above (and that this might be a second marriage, the first wife having died - they rarely came as single men).***

"April 12, John Casper Stoever baptized John Adam, son of William Albert and wife, born Feb. 27, 1741, and indicated the place as Northkill. There is some uncertainty about that, but none whatsoever about the area of Northkill: it was a community North of Tulpehochen. Sponsors were Adam Bollman and wife and Elizabeth Kraft.***

"Was this William Albert the same man who had earlier lived in the Leacock area of Lancaster County?

"There is no good reason to doubt, at any rate, that this William Albert has a connection with later Alberts in Northkill - and specifically that this is the William Albert who served as sponsor for William, son of Michael, in 1752.***

"In 1751, Michael Albert, "Jr." acquired land in Tulpehochen Township. At this point, I believe this Michael was a son of William who had earlier lived in Tulpehochen, but a son by the first wife. I posit a birthdate of ca. 1728 in Lancaster County.*** I believe

Michael had brothers: 1) Johannes (Hannes; *** 2) John Adam, born 1741.***

"In 1754 both William and Michael were taxes in Tulpehochen. I assume these are father and son. William was taxed last in 1759.*** I speculate a birthdate about 1700.***.

This is perhaps a suitable place to go more into detail on the warrants land issued to various Alberts and listed above. I have sent these to Pastor Weiser, and he has given me the following analysis:

"1. William Albert received a warrant for 200 acres on a small branch of the Conestoga Creek, Lancaster County," January 8, 1733. There is no return indicated. The land was evidently not patented to him. This means he sold the warrant right to someone else who probably had a patent issued in his own name. It suggests he left the area.

"2. On the same date, Michael Albert had his warrant granted for 130A. The same location is given. This was evidently surveyed and patented to Michael in 1739. Neighboring lands included those of William Albert. Since there is no deed for this land in Lancaster County records, there is no way of determining when or how this land passed from Michael's hands.

"3. William Albert had three warrants in Tulpehochen, Berks: May 23, 1740, Sept. 15, 1749 (100 acres which 'Mathias Wagner had presumed to sell him') and May 1, 1755 which were adjoining tracts, 192A 63P. They were surveyed in 1787 for Michael Miller. This means that William's rights were transferred somehow to Miller. The adjoining landowners: John Wagoner, John Foust, Albright Gruber,

Adam Baticher, Daniel Kicher, Christopher Winter, John Reigle.

(3a.) Adam Albert had a warrant on April 4, 1771 for 40 acres in Tulpehochen Township adjoining Hen. Goodman, John Riegel, Jacob Strause, John Ebhart, Andreas Henny, Geo. Zacharias, Andreas Cochendoerfer, Christopher Winter. It is difficult to avoid concluding that Adam's and William's lands were near one another; and that Adam and William were related. Moreover, the names of families suggest northern Tulpehochen.

"4. Jacob Albert had a warrant or two Oct. 8, 1766 for acreage in Bethel, Berks, on the Blue Mountain. This was patented in 1767. (Since Bethel, Berks, and Bethel, Lancaster - now Lebanon - are contiguous, one might justifiably relate this Jacob to Michael his "cousin" in the 1754 will. I think this is the John Jacob on the Edinburg, Sept. 14, 1753).***

"5. In 1751 Frantz (Albert) had 100 acres warranted in Rapho, Lancaster.***. This was patented to someone else in 1763.

In 1748-49, Sebastian (Albert) had warranted 200A in Rapho, which was later patented to four other parties 1803-1809.

In 1755 Bastian (Albert) had warranted 50A, which was in Heidelberg, Berks. This was patented, after survey 34 acres 57P. in 1798 apparently to Sebastian."

Where did William and Michael Albert come from? Research on this subject has been done for me in Germany by one of Europe's most famous genealogists, Karl Friedrich von Frank, Ferschnitz, Niedorsterrich, Austria. His findings, he states, are not conclusive but they offer possibilities. He approached the problem by looking for Alberts who left their German villages with names corresponding

to those in Tulpehochen Township in the 1770's. Since his letters of April 1, May 11, 1960, and July 24, 1960 contained in addition to fmaily lists data that might be helpful in further research in Germany, these are set out herein in full.

Letter addressed to Carl Albert, M. C., April 1, 1960 by Karl Friedrich von Frank:

"Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 27th was duly received, and I gave a careful study to the rich material it contained. I should say that the research work already done over there seems to be nearly exhaustive, and I doubt it that Dr. Owen could secure vital additional information. Nevertheless it could be tried, but to avoid unnecessary double work, he should be informed about the data on (64) Michael Albert. (NB. In my files I am using the ancestral numbering system, starting with you as No. 1).

1) Unfortunately from your extensive material it can't be seen if (64) Michael *ca. 1712 was born in Germany or in America. The first version is more likely.

2) Comparing the signatures on the will, and on the lsits 24 B & C it seems to me that the apodictical statement of identity by the handwriting expert is not justified. (p. 5 of your MS). I am going to discuss this matter in the following:

	Will	Lists 24 B & C
a)	michel Johannmichll	
b)	michel	ch is entirely different
c)	Albert	A and t are entirely different
d)	all capital letters A	entirely different
e)	all capital letters J	are slightly different from Johan

f) Between the two signatures, there is an interval of 42 years, and this would justify some difference in the handwriting, but I don't think that it will be as different as mentioned above.

g) The Handwriting as well as the orthography in the will are surprisingly good for a blacksmith of this period. This is leading to the conclusion that he had not changed his handwriting to such extent.

I wouldn't deny the identity entirely, but I wouldn't take it for granted.

3) We know by experience that it often happened that earlier emigrants were followed later by emigrants of the same family, or other relatives. Therefore it might not mean wasting work if we will try to locate the birth place of (64) Michel in Germany, because it can be assumed that he was born in Germany. We then will find out if he was identical with the immigrant Johann Michael of 1732, or it can be that (64) was a closer relative.

4) It will be indicated to search at the places. I already know that Alberts came from, so in the first line

a) Adam Albert *ca. 1703 in Ulmet (list 53, p. 7 of your MS.)

b) (Se)bastian, Wilhelm, Johann Franz (list 73) (p. 10 of your MS) from Eckersweiler.

c) The Alberts from Michelrieth, Oberwittbach, Altfeld, and Höhfeld (See Germ. Folklore Soc. Pa. Vol. XII, 1947, p. 197-198).

d) In my card indexes, I do have a note on an Albert family of blacksmiths around 1700 in Lützelsacheen parish Hohensachsen, of

whom members emigrated. I don't have closer details, but the trade seems to be promising.

e) The tradition pointing to Nuremberg (p. 6 of your MS) can be eliminated as being quite unlikely.

f) Zweibrucken = Deux Ponts is to be taken into consideration. But I may mention that the inhabitants of this duchy were Germans. There were French emigrants too, but among the respective Huguenots, I have no Alberts recorded. The conclusion pointing to Jeanne d'Albert is not only farfetched, but nonsense (p. 9 of your MS). In any case we know that (64) Michael was of German nationality, as can be seen from the fact that he wrote his will in good German.

5) It is very unlikely that the surname of Krieger can be confused with Gregor. Phonetically it can be spelled Greeger in English, but not Gregor. (p. 18 of your MS).

6) Executors of the will were Philipp Klar (also spelled Klaar), and Johannes Albert. The latter must have been a relative?

"The items mentioned above are dealing with the main questions without discussing closer details, which to do wouldn't be of much use to you, and taking up your time unnecessarily. Furthermore many details will require a closer study, looking up literature and files, which would delay this reply.

"As matters are at present, I may warn you that I can't guarantee positive results so far as to establish documentary proof of (64) Michael's ancestry. I shall be able to secure a lot of information on Alberts of course, but I can't tell now if this material will be satisfactory in solving the main problem. Thus,

I am looking forward to your reply authorizing me to go ahead.

"Referring to your handwritten PS, I leave it to your judgement if to make a deposit on account of my cash expenses. Eventually make your check payable to me and mail it to the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, 20th Street & 5th Avenue, New York 10, N.Y. advising the bank to deposit it to the credit of my account.

Very Sincerely yours,

Frank"

Copy of letter, from von Frank dated May 11, 1960:

"Dear Sir:

"Thank you for your letter of May 2nd. I am looking forward to receiving Dr. Owen's report, hoping that it might contain some further clues.

"In the meantime, I investigated in the family of the blacksmith Hans Albert in Lützelsachsen. He appears in Lützelsachsen for the first time in 1684, when he had a daughter baptized there. He came from some other place, which is not mentioned, with 1st wife. He + 2.XII.1701 in Lützelsachsen at the age of 42 years.

I. - ? Catharina, daughter of the "Zentschöffe" (tithe-gatherer) Valentin Horle of Hammelbach in the Odenwald. (NB. This is mentioned in her death record)

+ 24.II.1694 Lützelsachsen, 37 years old.

II.- 26. X.1694 Lützelsachsen

Anna Rosina Gengelbach of Lutzelsachsen

She II. - 27.II.1703 Lützelsachsen

Christian Minnir (French surname, correctly: Minier) blacksmith and armourer.

"Their son:

Christian Minnir * 2.II.1704 Lützelsachsen, -6.II.1704 Hohensachsen, godather: Christian Sputzweck (Spitzweg) of Weinheim. He emigrated to Pa., and landed 26.IX.1732 at Philadelphia (See Hinke-Strassburger I,93, List 25, together with his brother: Johann Georg Minnir * 12.V.1705 Lützelsachsen, - 17.V.1705 Hohensachsen.

"Children of Hans Albert born in Lützelsachsen, baptized in Hohensachsen:

14.V.1684 Susanna - 27.VIII.1709 Hans Strack

30.VI.1687 Hans Simon - 21.V.1715, Anna Maria Hüner, of Weinheim, became a master shoemaker in Weinheim

30.III1690 Hans Leonhard + 28-II.1697

24.VI.1696 Johannes. - 16.XI.1717 in Leutershausen, Anna Catharina Kräher. Emigrated to America

22.IX.1697 Anna Catharina - 5.III.1726, Jacob Westhofer, widower, master tailor in Lützelsachsen

20.IV.1699 Anna Margaretha

"By the many connections with Weinheim (wives, godfathers) it can be concluded that Hans Albert came from Weinheim. As a matter of fact, in my card indexes, I do have one Hans Simon Albert in Weinheim recorded who could be the father of Hans in Lützelsachsen.

(Note that his 1st son was also named Hans Simon).

"At first view this finding seems to be useless, since we didn't detect our Michael there. But it is leading to Weinheim, and perhaps in the Weinheim Albert family there were blacksmiths too, and it could be that we can find him there. As far as I know, there were two Protestant communities in Weinheim: Lutheran and Reformed. The registers of one of them (I don't know which one) of this period were destroyed.

"Another trail is pointing to Flockenbach where Hans Albert was "Schultheib" (burgomaster), who could have been the father of the aforementioned Hans. The competent parish is Leutershausen where the marriage registers are beginning in 1690.

"A third possibility will be Grobsachsen (succursal of Leuterschausen) where also an Albert family was residing at the time in question.

Adam Albert (see Hinke-Strassburger I,204,206,207) came from Ulmet, Palatinate. I initiated a search in the Archives in Speyer. The report came not in hitherto.

Bastian (Sebastian), Johann Franz and Wilhelm Albert (see Hinke-Strassburger I, 266, 269, 272, List 73) came from Eckersweiler, Oberamt (bailiwick) Lichtenberg, Zweibrücken.

Lorenz Albert (see Hinke-Strassburger I, 627, 630, 633, List 222) came from Altfeld, Lowenstein-Wertheim.

"Eventually these two places ought to be investigated too,

because it often happened that members of the same family emigrated at various times.

"Of the other Albert immigrants mentioned by Rupp and Hinke-Strassburger, I don't know their places of origin, with the exception of the Albert emigrants mentioned in "The Pennsylvania German Folklore Society" Volume XII, 1947, from the County of Wertheim, pp. 197 f., from Oberwittbach, Michelrieth, Altfeld (mentioned above) and Hohfeld.

"I regret it that on your trip last November, you visited Innsbruck only in Austria. You have missed much. If by any chance you or some relatives or friends of yours might pay a visit to Austria or South Germany, I shall appreciate it to be a guide and to show the sights. I have a car for six and could drive to places.

"I was glad to learn about my reputation as a genealogist in the U.S. as referred to you. I am an elected Fellow American Society of Genealogists (50 Fellows). In the Library of Congress, you will find my "Kress Family History", edited in 1930, which I compiled for my deceased friend Mr. Claude W. Kress (President of S.S. Kress & Co.).

Very sincerely yours,

Frank"

Copy of letter, from von Frank dated April 14, 1960:

"Dear Sir:

"Thank you for your letter of April 9th, and for your remittance, for which my bank will account in due time.

"According to your request, I am starting investigations, and I shall keep you posted as soon as reports come in.

"I note that you got in touch with Dr. Owen, and I do hope that he might be able to make the basic informations for my research work a bit clearer.

"From the material I have before me, I compiled family trees, and it is my opinion that the two (perhaps three) Albert family groups were related somehow, as can be concluded from various facts. Especially this conclusion seems to be corroborated by the repetition of given names and by the fact the there were mutual sponsorships.

"The "cousin" Jacob, mentioned in the will of 1754 by Michael, could be identical with Jacob Albrecht *ca. 1695, who landed at Philadelphia 11.VIII.1732. Note that he also had a son named Michael.

"Albert, linguistically, is a younger spelling of Albrecht. Both names are abbreviations of the old name of Adalbrecht, or Adelbrecht. This name derived from the Old Saxonian: athal, Old-High-German: adal meaning: nobility, or race, and of the Gothic: bairhts, Old-High-German: berath, English: bright, meaning: bright, illustrious, noble. Thus combined, it means as much as: of noble descent. Originally used as a given name, it developed to being a surname.

"Michael's will of 1774. As I wrote, the handwriting, as weel as the othogrpahy are remarkably well for a farmer and blacksmith. But I am sure that it was not written by a learned person. I rather think that Michael wrote it himself. The signature undoubtedly is in his own handwriting. Otherwise there would be his X mark, as f.i. by the one witness Miller. The ductus of the signature is much alike

with the text, and the capital A of his signature is the same in the text, as f.i. in the 8th line (page 1): Allmachtigen, in the 15th line (page 2) Adam. The text is more or less a conventional one and he might have used a pattern.

"In the meantime, I also consulted a handwriting expert (for old handwritings) in the Archives, and he confirmed my opinion, namely that the signatures in Lists 24 B & C and on the will can be of the same hand (allowing for the long interval of 42 years), but that one can't state it for sure. Just the letter "I: is the one which is not a characteristic one and if you will compare it to other occurrences, f.i. in List 24 you will notice that it is always alike.

"I may mention that the thermofax copies you sent are very poorly done and hard to read. Clear photostats, or photographs would be much better.

"Michael will of 1754. It is evident that it was written at a time when he neither had a wife nor any children. But he stated that he was "in good health in body and of perfect mind and memory". This means that the will was not made in expectance of soon death but perhaps in order to exclude his brother William, who filed his protest 11.X.1754. Thus we can take it for granted that neither widow nor children were left behind.

"I guess that the brothers: Michael, test.6.III.1754: Conrad, and William (godfather to William - 22.II.1752), and their cousin: Jacob, were cousins of Michael in Tulpehochen Twp. 1750 - + 1774, as well as of Johann (Hans) on the grist mill in Tulpehochen Twp. The Adam * 1703 in Ulmet, Philadelphia 9.IX.1738, might have been the

father of souch cousins. The father of (64) Michael seems to have been one Michael, too since (64) was called Junior. This father might be identical with Michael in the Pequia tax roll 1725/26 and be a brother of Adam * 1703.

"These are mere conclusions of course, but it will help identifying people over here, if we are in the picture about the possible relationships.

"In any case, I may state that the signatures on the will of 1754 and on List 24 are certainly not identical. There also is an interval of 21 1/2 years.

"I had also noticed that the immigrants of 1732 and 1739 came both of them on the same ship. This, of course, is not proof but it could be that the earlier immigrant recommended this boat to his relatives. It can be a mere coincidence too. We know about the hardships on board of these ships, and it might be that some captains cared better for the passengers than others.

"Since Rupp didn't mention the source for his mentioning in 1719, your statement as to the incorrectness of this date seems to have something per se. But, I may mention that we know of an earlier emigrant: John Albert, smith, age 23, Reformed, in the 3rd London List of Palatines, taken at St. Catherine's June 2, 1709.

"Like others, he might have moved on to Pennsylvania, because he is not recorded in Governor Hunter's Ration Lists, June, 1710 - September, 1714 among the heads of families who stayed in New York West Camp and East Camp.

"I guess that covers all what can be said for today in reply to your letter.

Very sincerely yours,

Frank"

Copy of letter and attachments from von Frank, dated July 24, 1960:

"Dear Sir:

"Thank you for your letter of July 13th. In the meantime, I had received the report by Dr. Owen. It didn't show any new clues as to the place of origin of your forebears, but his theory as to the Michael Albert, Sr. & Jr. not necessarily being father and son, will be corroborated by the extracts which I am sending as per the enclosure. The literature cited in his report is in my library and was already consulted, of course.

"Concerning the report from the Genealogical Society in Salt Lake City, of July 5th, I may mention that it too contained no news to me. The deduction that the Alberts were Huguenots because of the surname being French, is devious. As a matter of fact, the spelling Albert was and is used in German as well as in French. It is a younger form of the German name Albrecht. We do have many Albert families which can be traced to a period prior to the immigration of Huguenots in Germany, and which certainly not are of French origin. Thus it means jumping to conclusions to state that your Albert family was of French extraction. This will be possible, but we will have to trace your line farther back to make sure about that. As I shall show below, this will be possible.

"As mentioned before, I know of Albert emigrants from places in the former Palatinate, as f.i. Wolfersweiler, Eckersweiler, Ulmet, Walhausen, etc. Thus, I concentrated my efforts to this area. Since matters are very complicated there, and no satisfactory informations were obtainable from various correspondents whom I had consulted, I decided to investigate personally.

"In Wolfersweiler parish, there were only 2 Albert families recorded prior to 1758. Obviously both of them came from Mettweiler. Since the family was of Reformed faith, I searched the registers (not indexed, and hard to read) of the competent parish of Baumholder. There, before 1740, 21 branches of the Albert family are recorded prior to 1740, who resided at various places in the vicinity, as f.i. Berschweiler, Mettweiler, Fohren, etc. The abundance of those records is complicating the research work considerably, because there are often Alberts of the same given names living at the same time, and one has to investigate closer who's who. As far as I can judge it at present, all these Alberts belonged to one and the same clan. Unfortunately the parochial registers of Baumholder are beginning in 1680, while the earlier ones were destroyed.

"From the many Alberts, I found in the records, I selected the families of which members emigrated, and from them I selected the ones wherein the given names of Michael, Wilhelm, and Johannes occured. By this selection, I am quite sure that I got the correct branches of the family, which I compiled as shown by the enclosures.

"There you will find the brothers Johannes, Johann Wilhelm, Johann Michael, as well as a second Johann Michael, which would

explain for the "Junior" and "Senior". Furthermore the trade of blacksmith as well as the trade of miller were in these branches of the family. Furthermore, several surnames occurring as relatives and sponsors are to be found in the Philadelphia Lists by Hinke-Strassburger. All those coincidences are allowing for the statement that we struck the correct ancestral family of yours. If you are of the same opinion, and if you will want me to proceed with the investigation, and to secure certificates on the ancestry, I shall gladly do that.

"It might be possible to secure additional, and also earlier data (prior to the beginning of the church registers), by research work in the Archives. This research work will be more complicated because several Archives are to be taken into consideration and furthermore the material there is not indexed, or arranged from genealogical viewpoints. There will be deed books, land registers, wills, settling of estates, tax lists, muster rolls, court files, etc. to be searched.

"To proceed with the investigation as mentioned above, and to secure certified literal transcripts or photographs (I prefer letters, that I can see the original writing), it will not be necessary perhaps to investigate personally. This can be done by my agent in Koblenz, since the proper basis is on hand already now.

"Your letter of July 13th put me somewhat in an awkward position. It was received when the research work mentioned in this present letter was done already. You limited the costs to the amount of $100, while my cash expenses on this case are amounting to the equivalent of $192 already, and my work sheet shows that besides the cash expense,

I spent 73 hours on this case at the rate of $2 per hour.

"I guess it might be advisable to give some explanations as to the different spellings of given names: (occurring here).

Lucas - Lukas - Laux (abbreviation) - Luke

Johannes - Johann - Hans (abbreviation) - John

Michael - Michel - Michl - Michael

Nicolaus - Nikolaus - Nickel (abbrevation) - Claus - Klaus - Claus (abbreviations) - Nicholas

Theobald - Deobald (Greek) - Gottwald (German) - Theobald

Elisabeth (a) - Elsa - Elisa - Elizabeth

Sebastian - Bastian - Bast - Tastl - Wastl - Sebastian

Peter - Petrus - Petter - Peter

Valentin (us) - Velten - Valentine

Batholomaus - Batholomaus - Barthel - Bartl - Bartholomew

Wilhelm (us) - Willi - Willy - William

"You will notice that persons having more than one given name are often mentioned with the main name only. So f.i. in the Albert family many males are bearing the first name Johannes (Hans) which was dropped occasionally in later records.

"The surnames: Köhl identical with Kehl, Kohl;

Schäfer - Schäffer - Scheffer - Scheper - Schafter.

"Köhl is the abbreviation of Köhler - Charcoal-burner. Shäfer means shepherd.

"Looking forward to your acknowledgement of receipt. I am

Very sincerely yours,

Frank"

Enclosures: 7 pages family groups

Laux, son of Bast Albert in Mettweiler

18.V.1688 at St. Noper (chapel in the parish Baumholder)

Anna Maria, daughter of ClauB Shafer in Mettweiler. In the following baptismal records of their children Laux Albert is called: Miller in Berschweiler.

- 1694,7.II. Hans Michel,

(Tom.III, p. 31) Sponsors: Nickel Schafer in Mettweiler
Michael Kirsch in Berschweiler
Elisabeth Catharina, wife of Johann Albert, master tailor in Berschweiler.

-1695, 21.XI. Johannes

(Tom.III, p. 34) Sponsors: Johannes Mott in Mettweiler
Hans Wilhelm Kohl in Mettweiler
Catharina, daughter of the late Jorg Aulenbach

-1697,31.III. Hans Niclas

(Tom.III, p.37) Sponsors: Nickel Schafer, Jr. in Mettweiler
Hans Nickel, son of Jacob Albert in Mettweiler
Anna Catharina, wife of Wilhelm Dick in Fohren
Maria Catharina, daughter of the late Christian Simon in Berschweiler

-1699,12.X. Hans Wilhelm

(Tom.III, p.44) Sponsors: Wilhelm Albert, Master Shoemaker
Deodald, son of Hans Jacob Albert
the daughter of Nickel Schaffer
Margreth, daughter of Hans Conrad Shafer in Mettweiler.

+ 1702, between 26.II. any 1.XI.

(Tom.III, p.410) Anna Maria, wife of Laux Albert in Berschweiler, died in childbed

1703,9.I. Laux Albert miller in Berschweiler, married to

(Tom.III, p.348) Anna Apollonia, daughter of the later Peter Gisch of Answeiler.

No Death record of Laux Albert and of his wife Anna Apollonia in the parochial registers of Baumholder.

Hans Nickel, son of Hans Jacob Albert in Mettweiler
blacksmith in Mettweiler

1709,6.VIII (Tom.III, p. 352)

Elisabeth Margretha, daughter of Michel Kirsch of Berschweiler

Baptismals of their children:

- 1712,6.IV. Johannes

(Tom.III, p.75) Sponsors: Johannes Welsch in Berschweiler
Johannes, son of Michel Kirsch in Berschweiler
Anna Margreth, wife of Wilhelm Rausch in Baumholder
Anna Barbara, wife of Theobald Albert in Welchweiler

- 1714,6.VI. Anna Catharina

(Tom.III, Sponsors: Hans Georg Goltzer in Hanweiler

Hans Adam, son of Hans Conrad Schafter in Mettweiler

Anna Maria, wife of Hans Conrad Albert in Mettweiler

Anna Maria, wife of Hans Nickel Welsch in Berschweiler

- 1716,6.VI. Johann Wilhelm

(Tom.III. Sponsors: Hans Wilhelm Albert in Fohren

p.91) "infantis patruus" (the child's uncle)

Johann, son of Petter Kirsch in Kusel

Anna Maria, wife of Peter Bauer in Mettweiler

Anna Maria, wife of Hans Nickel Kirsch in Berschweiler

- 1718,9.I. Anna Maria

(Tom.III, Sponsors: Hans Nickel Becker in Reichweiler

p.98) Hans Wilhelm Albert in Fronhausen

Anna Maria, wife of Johann Albert in Berschweiler

Magdalena, wife of Hans Wilhelm Henn(e)

- 1719,16.X. Hans Lucas

(Tom.III, Sponsors: Hans Nickel Albert, judge in Berschweiler

p.104) Hans Laux, son of the late Jacob Albert

Maria Salome, wife of Niclas Kehl in Berschweiler

Anna Barbara, wife of Ludwig Kehl in Berschweiler

- 1723,17.XII. Johann Michael

(Tom.III, p.130) Sponsors: Johann Nickel Welsch in Berschweiler
Johann Michael, son of Johann Nickel Welsch in Eckersweiler
Anna Eva, daughter of Theobald Braun in Ruthweiler
Agnes, wife of Caspar Albert in Reichweiler

Hans Jacob Albert called tawer in 1722,
called "censor" (judge) in 1724, presbyter in 1726 ff.,
"GerichtsschultheiB" (magistrate" in 1728 ff.

no marriage record in Baumholder or in Meisenheim

Anna Gertrudis.....(Landenberg)

Baptismals of their children:

- 1713,2.X. Johann Wilhelm

(Tom.II, p.80) Sponsors: Mr. Wilhelm Ludwig Euler, pastor
Johann Jacob Landenberg of Einod,
"matris frater" (mother's brother)
Anna Catharina, wife of Johann Barthel Rausch, magistrate
Maria Barbara, wife of Friedrich Heintz(e)

-1716,22.III. Catharina Elisabetha

(Tom.III, p.90) Sponsors: Johann Barthel Rausch, magistrate
Anna Catharina, wife of Nickel Welsch
"Sechser" (member of the council of six", and assistant judge
Anna Elisabeth, wife of Hans Adam Heintz

-1717,21.VIII Johann Jacob

(Tom.III, p.96) Sponsors: Mr. Nickel Albert, magistrate in Berschweiler
Christoffel Scheffer in Zweibrucken
Susanna, wife of Daniel Heintz in Meisenheim
Anna Margaretha, wife of Peter Lind in Kusel

- 1720,4.V. Johann Carl Christian

(Tom.III, p.106) Sponsors: Hans Michel Welsch, merchant
Carl Christian Bernhardi in Meisenheim
Anna Catharina, wife of the magistrate Rausch
Anna Margreth, wife of Hans Wilhelm Rausch

-1722,19.VI. Maria Elisabeth

(Tom.III, p.118) Sponsors: Johann Caspar Heintz in Kusel
Adam Grimm, master butcher at this place
Anna Elisabeth, wife of Adam Heintz, clerk of the court at this place
Maria Christina, wife of Christoffel Wentz, master baker

-1724,1.III. Anna Catharina

(Tom.II, p.132) Sponsors: Johann Friedrich Heintz, magistrate
Maria Catharina, wife of Nickel Welsch, assistant judge
Anna Christina, wife of Abraham Rausch, clerk of the court

- 1726,4.IV. Johann Casimir

(Tom.III, p.150) Sponsors: Johann Casimir Culmann, pastor
Johann Hoth, innkeeper in the Valley
Sybilla Catharina, wife of Conrad Zepper
Anna Catharina, wife of Johann Conrad, innkeeper at "The Lion".

-1728,27.XI. Maria Dorothea

(Tom.III, p.173) Sponsors: Johann Albert, magistrate "Kirchencensor" (supervisor of the church) in Eckersweiler
Johann Nickel Albert, assistant judge and "censor" (judge) in Berschweiler
Maria Magdalena Elisabeth, wife of the Mr. magistrate in Berschweiler
Anna Sara, wife of Georg Heintz

-1731,2.VI. Christina Magdalena

(Tom.III, p.192) Sponsors: Johann Heinrich, son of the late Adam Heintz
Anna Catharina, daughter of the late Bartholomaeus Rausch, "GerichtsschulteiB" (magistrate)
Christina Magdalena, daughter of the former "GerichtsschultheiB" (magistrate) at this place
Mr. Friedrich Heintz

-1736,31.III. Juliana Elisabetha

(Tom.III, p.218) Sponsors: Mr. Abraham Rausch, clerk of the court
Maria Elisabetha, wife of Johann Friedrich master butcher in Sobernheim
Juliana Catharina, wife of Johann Wilhelm Heintz, tanner

+1755,8.V. Johann Jacob Albert, magistrate, died of an inflammatory
(Tom.I, fever which didn't last any longer than 4 days, 65 years,
p.307) 9 months, and 8 days old

+1755,16.V. Anna Gertraud, the widow of the late Mr. Jacob Albert, former magistrate, who fell sick together with her husband and died 8 days after him, at the age of about 64 years.

Extracts from the parochial registers of the Reformed Parish Wolfersweiler

Albert Family

Johann Lucas Albert, son of the late Jacob Albert in Mettweiler

-1722,17.II. (Tom.II,p.261)

Barbara, daughter of Hans Nickel Hornberger of Nohfelden

Baptismals of their children:

- 1723,5.II. Johann Franz
(Tom.II, Sponsors: Johann Albert in Mettweiler
p.91) Johann Franz Hornberger in Reichweiler
Eva Barbel, wife of Nickel Hornberger
Anna Catharina, wife of Melchior Hornberger in Nohfelden.

+1723,12.VII. Barbara wife of Lucas Albert, buried 21 3/4 years old
(Tom.II,p.284)

-1724,29.II. Lucas Albert, widower in Nohfelden, married to Anna
(Tom.II,p.262) Catharina, daughter of Hans Georg Bungart in Nohfelden

Baptismals of their children:

-1724,28.XII. Johann Georg

(Tom.II, p.98) Sponsors: Johann Friedrich Hornberger
Johann Georg Bungert, Jr., of Nohfelden
Sophia Dorothea, wife of Johann Christmann in Nohfelden
Anna Margaretha, daughter of Hans Michel Bungart in Nohfelden

-1726,5.V. Johann Michel

(Tom.II, p.104) Sponsors: Johann Nickel Albert in Mettwiler
Johann Michel Hornberger in Nohfelden
Anna Julianna, daughter of Andres Bruch
Susanna Maria, daughter of Jacob Bungert in Nohfelden

The death of the 2nd wife Anna Catharina is not recorded in Wolfersweiler

-1733,26.V. Lucas Albert, widower in Walhausen, married to Maria
(Tom.II,p.267) Catharina, daughter of Christian Schweig in Richweiler

Baptismals of their children:

-1734,27.VI. Johannes

(Tom.II, p.136) Sponsors: Johannes Loch in Walhausen
Johann Mattes FrieB in Walhausen
Anna Maria, wife of Michel Klemm in Walhausen
Anna Margaretha, daughter of Christian Schweig in Richweiler

-1736,7.III. Johann Jacob

(Tom.II, p.144) Sponsors: Jacob Luder in Wolfersweiler
Jacob Keyser in Hirstein
Anna Maria, wife of Johann Nickel Burgass in Walhausen
Anna Elisabeth, daughter of Christian Schweig in Richweiler

+1738,26.IV. Laux Albert was buried, 43 1/2 years old

(Tom.II,p.294)

Of several places mentioned in the above extracts, there are namesakes in the same area. To avoid mistakes, I am going to state the exact geographical situation below. Formerly all places were in the Palatinate. A few only are situated in the reduced Palatinate (Pfalz) of today, while the others are in the province Rhineland (Rheinland). The number of inhabitants is given according to the Census of 1882, since no earlier one is available. But it will show the approximate size of the respective places. Birkenfeld is the former principality Birkenfeld.

Answeiler, village, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, Birkenfeld.
265 inhabitants.

Baumholder, town, district St. Wendel, governmental district Trier,
1820 inhabitants.

Berschweiler, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, Birkenfeld,
544 inhabitants.

Eckersweiler, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, Birkenfeld,
273 inhabitants.

Einod, village, united with Ingweiler, jurisdictional district Zweibrucken, governmental district Palatinate, both places together 1019 inhabitants.

Fohren, village, united with Linden, jurisdictional district Baumholder, Birkenfeld, both places together 332 inhabitants.

Fro(h)nhausen, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, Birkenfeld, 170 inhabitants.

Hanweiler, village, jurisdictional district Saarbrucken, 520 inhabitants.

Hirstein, village, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, Birkenfeld, 325 inhabitants.

Kusel, town, Palatinate, jurisdictional district Kusel, 3091 inhabitants.

Linden SEE: Fohren

Meisenheim on the Glan, town, jurisdictional district Meisenheim, County court district Koblenz, 1850 inhabitants.

Mettweiler, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, 337 inhabitants.

Nohfelden, townlet, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, Birkenfeld, 692 inhabitants.

Reichweiler, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, 371 inhabitants.

Richweiler, village, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, 139 inhabitants.

Ruthweiler, village, jurisdictional district Baumholder, 378 inhabitants.

Sobernheim, town, district Kreuznach, county-court district Koblenz, 2824 inhabitants.

Waldweiler, jurisdictional district Harmeskeil, governmental district Trier, village, 474 inhabitants.

Walhausen, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, Birkenfeld, 338 inhabitants

Welchweiler, village, jurisdictional district Wolfscheim, district Kusel, Palatinate, 367 inhabitants.

Wolfersweiler, jurisdictional district Nohfelden, Birkenfeld, village 823 inhabitants.

Whether the above findings are relevant is difficult to tell. The birthdates of Hans Michael and Hans Wilhelm, sons of Laux are consistent with men who might have settled in Lancaster County in the 1720's.

Certainly a little more effort will be needed to nail the family down in Germany or to establish for sure that William Albert of Tulpehochen was the father of our Michel and whether we have traced the proper William Albert in Pennsylvania, as most genealogists who have looked at the problem believe.

This leads us to a listing of any Michael or William Albert which might be inconsistent with the hypothesis above related. A large number of shipping lists of Germans and Swiss into Pennsylvania, beginning in 1727 have been recorded in "Pennsylvania German Pioneers", by Hinke and Strassburger. The Alberts included in these lists through 1754 are as follows:

On the Brittania, Sept. 21st 1731.

Johannes Albert	age 33	Reference I:47,51,53
Katharine Albert	age 31	Reference I:49
Christina Barbara Albert	age 9	Reference I:50
Anna Katharin Albert	age 5	Reference I:50
Sophia Katherin Albert	age 3	Reference I:50

This would appear to be one family group, parents and three daughters.

On the Ship Samuel, Aug. 11, 1732.

Jacob Albrecht age 37

Magdalena Albrect age 35

Michael Albreath age 13

Eva Albrethen age 9

Maria Albrethen age 3

Christina Albrethen age 3

On the Loyal Judith, Sept. 3, 1739.

Johann Michell Albert age 20 Reference I:89

Johann Michell Albert Reference I:91

(he signs)

Johan Michel Albert Reference I:92

On the Ship Glasgow, Sept. 9, 1735.

Adam Albert age 35

Palatines in the Loyal Judith, Sept. 3, 1739.

Bastian Pluer

William Pluer

France Pluer Reference I:266

Bastian Albert

Wm (A) Albert

Johan Frantz Alberd Reference I:269

Bastian Albert

William (A) Albert

Johann Frantz Alberd Reference I:269

On the Phoenix, 22 Nov. 1752.

Johann Phillipp Albert Reference I:507

Wilhelm Albert Reference I:508

On the Ship Edinburgh, Sept. 14, 1753

Jacob Albert

On the Phoenix, 1 Oct. 1754.

Wilhelm Albert Reference I:628, 631, 635

Johannes Albert (h) Reference I:627, 630, 633

Lorents Albert (h) Reference I:627, 630, 633

These passenger lists were of course all subsequent to the time when Michael and William Albert were first noted in Lancaster County tax lists. The Johann Michell Albert, age 20, a passenger on the Loyal Judith, Sept. 25, 1732, was born about 1712 and would have been only 13 years old in 1725 when a Michael Albert appeared on the tax lists of the Pequia District of Lancaster County. This means there were at least two Michael Alberts in Pennsylvania before 1733.

Is there any possibility that the Michael Albert who came over on the Loyal Judith was the Michael Albert, Jr. who bought land in Tulpehochen Township in 1751? I once tried at length to pursue this possibility. I finally gave up on it. Perhaps I should trace the argements I devised to try to establish the identity. I obtained a copy of the will in German script. The handwriting was compared to that of John Michell Albert's signature on the shipping list. There was dispute as to whether it was the same handwriting. There was agreement that the will was written in better form than would be

expected of the testator. Later I found out that I had not received the original will but only a clerk's copy. Everyone who has examined this signature against that on the shipping list agrees that it could hardly be the same. Although the will was written forty years after the signing of the shipping list and the handwriting might have changed there were too many characteristic differences to conclude that both instruments were signed by the same person.

Another point which I pursued in trying to establish the identity of the two Alberts was the fact that among the names appearing on the 1732 Loyal Judith Shipping list, along with that of John Michell Albert, the following also appeared on the 1754 Tulpehochen Township assessment: Matthes Smith (Schmidt), George Smith (Schmidt), Peter Shaffer, Jacob Miller, George Noll, John Repman (Rehman), and Frank Shaffer, the names in parenthesis indicating how the names were spelled on the shipping list. In addition, the following surnames appeared on both lists: Wagner, Penns, Krieger, Hoffman, Wolf, and Kramer. I compared these lists because it appeared possible that a group coming over on the same ship might settle in the same community.

Now why did I give up on the theory that Michael of Loyal Judity was Michael, Jr. of Tulpehochen. First, I got nowhere with the handwriting theory. Second, I could not reconcile the age with Michael's family. Michael Albert, Jr. had his first son in 1752 and he had children almost all the way up to his death. His youngest son, Simon, was less than five years old when he died. This would have meant that he was forty years old when his oldest son was born and nearly

sixty when his youngest was born. The Zions Church record and Michael's will indicates that he had only one wife, Margaret, during his entire family life on his farm. This together with the fact that late marriages by men to young women are said to have been rare among Pennsylvania Germans makes it doubtful that John Michell Albert and Michael Albert, Jr. were the same person.

Further on the same issue, as we said above, Michael Albert's will was written the same month he died and evidently in expectation of death. It was hardly the will planned out for his family by an elderly man whose children were grown.

Again, professional genealogists who have gone deeply into this subject reject the theory that John Michell Albert of the Loyal Judith was Michael Albert, Jr. of Tulpehochen.

Then in a letter written to me July 29, 1960, Archibald F. Bennett said, "I doubt that your Michael was identical with the Johann Michael who came on the Loyal Judith, age 20."

In a letter, dated July 30, 1970, Pastor Frederick Weiser said, "For now, this much may be said.***. It is highly improbable that Michael Albert, Jr. - whose will was written in 1774 and who was producing children right up to that time, and whose will is clearly of the type of Pennsylvania German will written by a young man with a family (as over against the type of will written by a man whose children were grown) - was born much before 1725-1730. Indeed I should approximate a birthdate for him of 1728***." Pastor Weiser also believes that Michael, Jr. was born in America.

The only possible variation of the name "Michael Albert" appearing on the Philadelphia Shipping Lists, except that above given was the above Ship Samuel list, August 11, 1732. Here the father and mother are listed as Jacob and Magdalena Albrect and the son as "Michael Albreath". Our name has never appeared in any record I have ever found as Albrect, which is Anglacized to Allbright, but it has occasionally appeared as Albreath, which was apparently an English speaking clerk's understanding of how the Pennsylvania Dutch dialect sounded to him. Note for example, later on, it was thus spelled in the 1800 Logan County, Kentucky, tax lists, but in all the other lists for the country from 1799 to 1809 it was spelled "Albert". Could this Michael Albreath, born ca 1719 be our man? This is a question I have not been able to answer. I assume by the spelling of the surname and by the absence of any apparent connection with Alberts named William, John or Adam that he was not.

Our problem is further complicated by the Alberts who came over on the Loyal Judith September 3, 1739. These were Bastian, William and Johan Frantz Albert. I believe the Wilhelm Albert, who came over on the Phoenix, November 22, 1752, and the one who came over on the same ship, October 1, 1754, present no present problem, for our William was known to have been in Tulpehochen Township before these arrived.

Certain things can be said about the William Albert who came over on the Loyal Judith in 1739. First, he cannot have been the John William Albert whom John Casper Stoever married at Leacock on

October 14, 1735, unless he went home after this marriage and came back in 1739. Second, could this William Albert of the Loyal Judith have been the one, whose son Adam was born February 27, 1741, and baptized by the same John Casper Stoever. Adam Pollman was a witness to the baptism. There was an Adam Bullman on the ship Loyal Judith with William, and they were undoubtedly acquainted. This Adam Bullman is the only name similar to Adam Bollman that I have found on any shipping list. As we have previously pointed out, this Adam Albert appears to have been the one who first appeared on Tulpehochen tax lists in 1767.

The problem created by the John Michell Albert who came on the Loyal Judith in 1732 and the William Albert who came on the same ship in 1739 is, if they were not a part of the family of William and Michael Albert of Tulpehochen in the 1750's, then what happened to them? The same may be said of the early William and Michael Albert, who appeared together several times before 1739 Loyal Judith William Albert came over, were not our people and not the ones who were in Tulpehochen Township and nearby Bethel Township in the 1750's, then what happened to them? Their consistent appearance together and the brotherhood of a William and Michael being shown in a 1754 will makes it look like they are the right lines.

The fact that another William Albert appeared on the Loyal Judith in 1739 and an Adam Albert on the Glasgow in 1736 is not consistent with a William who came over after William married Maria Eva Allgayer and appears to have been too old to have shown up first

in Tulpehochen in 1767 and, judging by Northkill Church Records, was apparently a close relative of our Michael. The John Adam born in 1741 appears most logically to have been the Adam in our family.

We still have what appears to be another set of Alberts to deal with. Reverend A. Stapleton's Memorials of the Huguenots in America, page 122, reads:

> "Albert - An Albert family fled to Deux Ponts at the Revocation, of these came John Michael Albert to the Swatara prior to 1750, when well advanced in years. His sons, John Michael, Jr., Peter and Francis were then also heads of families. The latter, who was born in 1719, at Deux Ponts, was cruelly murdered by the savages, June 26, 1756, leaving a family."

Unfortunately, Stapleton does not give the source of the data.

We find the following from LIST OF IMMIGRANTS FROM ZWEIBRUCKEN (German for Deux Ponts), 1728-1749 (Film No. 5050, Latter Day Saint Library):

From the State Archives at Speyer, Germany. District of Lictenberg.

Sept. 9, 1738 ADAM ALBERT of Ulmet leaves for Carolina, p. 2

Aug. 27, 1739 SEBASTIAN ALBERT, son of a subject of Balwein from Echersveiler, leaves for America, p. 4

This Sebastian must have been the one on the Loyal Judith, Sept. 3, 1739, although the dates are slightly off. The Johan Frantz Albert on the same Loyal Judith must have been the one referred to by Stapleton. We have seen that Franz (or Francis) Albert had a warrant for 123 acres in Rapho Township, Lancaster County, April 4, 1751. Sebastian also had a warrant in Feb. 1748/49 for 208 acres.

Franz was received into the Moravian fellowship at a synod at

"Warwick" - Lititz, Lancaster County, November 1719, and received his first communion from them in Lebanon on Sept. 30, 1750. In a catalog of members of the Bethel, or Swatara, congregation from 1755 there is a statement which indicates that he had lived in Donegal, which is the adjoining community to Rapho, Lancaster County. He was consistently a member of the Moravian congregation until he was killed by the savages June 26, 1756 along with three others, including one Frederick Weiser. Pastor Frederick Weiser has discovered an account of his birth and death and previous membership in the Reformed Church in Moravian Church records. This Frantz Albert was born, as we have seen in 1719 at Deux Ponts (Zweibruchen).

Whether this Frantz Albert or the Sebastian and William who came over on the Loyal Judith with him is related to the Tulpehochen Grop and, if so, how, is a a tough question.

Stapleton also mentions two Michael Alberts. He said that they fled to Deux Ponts on the Revocation of the Edict of Nance and that the elder, John Michael Albert, when advanced in years, went to the Swatara prior to 1850 and that his sons, including John Michael, Jr. already had families. It is too bad Stapleton is not more specific about his dates and ages and the sources of his statements. We have found when Sebastian and Frantz came over. But when did John Michael and John Michael, Jr. come? The elder of these could hardly have been the one who was already here in 1726. This one, who was obviously around for some time could hardly have come over when he was "well advanced in years". Nor could this John Michael have been the one who died in Bethel Township in 1754, because that Michael evidently had no

children. He left his estate to his cousin and to his brother, Conrath. There was a caveat by a brother, William, but no caveat by any child. More over, this same John Michael, mentioned by Stapleton, could not have been the John Michell who came over on the Loyal Judith in 1732, because that John Michell was aged 20 at the time and not "well advanced in years."

Could the John Michael, Jr. mentioned by Stapleton have been our John Michael, Jr. of Tulpehochen. This does not seem probable, because Stapleton says this Michael, Jr. and his brothers all had families before they came over. Nothing in the Church tax records or will records of Tulpehochen Township indicates that our Michael had any children before his son, William, was born in 1752.

I think our best bet is that the same William Albert who was in the Pequia District in 1726 was the one who showed up in Leacock as early as 1735 where he was married by Rev. John Stoever and had a son in Northkill, named Ada, baptised by the same Stoever in 1741, and was the same William Albert who had warrants for land in Tulpehochen as early as 1740 and again in 1749 and 1755. I think he is the same William Albert who witnessed the baptism of a younger William Albert by the same John Casper Stoever as well as by a Reformed Minister in the Blue Mountain in 1752.

This is my case. I hope someone will strengthen it if I am right and correct me if I am wrong.

CHILDREN OF MICHAEL ALBERT

(Order known for all except Adam)

I.	William	(5+)
II.	Anna Maria	(6)
III.	Adam	(7+)
IV.	Maria Barbara	(8+)
V.	John Simon	(9+)

ALBERT FAMILY - THIRD GENERATION

3. WILLIAM ALBERT (Michael, William)

I have very little information on William, oldest son of Michael Albert. We have seen that he was baptized in Tulpehochen Township in February 1752, once by John Casper Stoever, Lutheran Minister, and again in the Zions of Blue Mountain Church (Reformed). William Albert, whom we believe to have been his grandfather, was his sponsor. Apparently he and his two brothers, Adam and Simon, went to Frederick County, Virginia, after the Revolutionary War. He served in the Revolution and was a blacksmith by trade.

William Albert married Catherine Kantner, daughter of George and Christine Kantner. George Kantner left a will in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, dated February 2, 1782 (Berks County Wills, p. 283) which provided:

> "after three years my sons, Michael, John, Valentine, John Adam and Simon shall make a vendue of land among themselves. Son Jacob and son-in-law WILLIAM ALBERT

shall have no right to bid for the place. The one who gets the land shall provide for wife Christine."

On April 6, 1789, William Albert, State of Virginia, blacksmith, and Catherine his wife, (she being the daughter of George Kantner, Late of Tulpehochen Twp.) released their rights to Michael Kantner (page 380, Vol. 25, Deed Records, Berks Co., Pa.)

Baptismal Records, Hosts Church, Tulpehochen Region:

WILLIAM ALBERT & wife CATHERINE	MICHAEL ALBERT b. Jan. 19, 1778 bapt. Feb. 7, 1778	Michael Kantner
WILLIAM ALBERT & wife CATHARINE	MARIA ELIZABETH b. Apr. 20, 1780 bapt. May 15, 1780	Jacob Kantner & wife

Revolutionary War Pension File No. 537659, shows that William Albert, blacksmith by trade, had Pennsylvania service during the Revolutionary War. He enlisted in 1776 in Captain Henry Christ's Company, 4th Regiment, (Colonel Stewart), Pa. Line. He participated in the Battles of Long Island, Trenton, Brandywine, and Germantown. He was pensioned under the Act of 1818, approval to commence March 6, 1821, while living in Winchester, Virginia. He was paid to Sept. 4, 1823. In his pension application, dated March 6, 1821, William Albert stated that he was 67 years old.

The pension file of William Albert contains a letter written in 1855 at Vicksburg, Mississippi, by Elmire Roome, purportedly a granddaughter. This letter states that William Albert died on Sept. 4, 1823 in Frederick County, Virginia, where he had resided for at least 40 years. Mrs. Roome said that her mother was a daughter of William

Albert and that her mother's husband was a grandson of Abraham Clark of New Jersey, "the signer of the independence." She stated that her mother had been a widow about 30 years and was poor and needed help. Mrs. Roome also said that she had a nephew living in Winchester, Virginia. She did not mention either his name or the name of his mother.

1850 U.S. Census, Warren County, Mississippi

Richard S.	Roome	42	Supt. of Hospital	N.Y.
Elmira	"	35		Ohio
Edward	"	16		"
Mary	"	15		"

Following are from Marriage Records, Frederick County, Virginia:

Michael Albert md. Sarah Anderson, Jan. 9, 1800
Michael Albert md. Sarah Kile, Feb. 10, 1817
Thomas Badey md. Elizabeth Albert, June 13, 1802

That William Albert, blacksmith, whose name apparently last appeared on the tax rolls of Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania in 1781, and whose name appeared on the 1785 tax rolls for Frederick County, Virginia, and years thereafter must have been one and the same person. Michael Albert is apparently William's son; his name first appeared on the tax rolls of Frederick County, Virginia in 1800, indicating he was of age about that time. This is consistent with his birthdate of January 19, 1778.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND CATHARINE ALBERT (Probably incomplete)

i. Michael b. 1778
ii. Maria Elizabeth

ALBERT FAMILY - THIRD GENERATION

ADAM ALBERT (Michael, William)

I have little information on Adam Albert, second son of Michael. I have had correspondence from various descendants of an Adam Albert, but the fact that there were two in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, and two or more in Frederick County, Virginia makes it difficult to follow the lines.

Apparently the older Adam Albert was the ancestor of my correspondents. He may have been a brother of my ancestor, Michael. Apparently both this Adam and Adam, son of Michael of Tulpehochen, were both in the Revolutionary War. My correspondents indicate that the older Adam Albert was in Captain George Miller's Company. I believe that this Adam was in the company of Captain Henry Shiplar and that it was Michael's son who was in Captain George Miller's Company.

It appears that both Adam Alberts moved to Frederick County, Virginia. The name appears in various Frederick County tax records beginning in 1783 and appears twice in 1800. The data submitted on the Albert line is supported only by identity of names and seems to presume there was an unbroken line of Adam Alberts from the Adam Albert who came to Pennsylvania on the ship Glasgow, Sept. 9, 1738. We find no evidence that such an Adam Albert lived in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. We know that Adam, son of Michael, lived in Tulpehochen Township, and we have pointed out heretofore there was an Adam Albert, son of William Albert, born in 1741, and apparently living many years in Tulpehochen Township. I think those who claim descent from Adam Albert of Frederick County, Virginia, and Berks County, Pennsylvania are descendants of one or

the other of the Adam Alberts of Tulpehochen, one of whom was Michael's son and the other probably Michael's brother.

1788 Personal Tax Records,
Winchester, Virginia
White titheholders:

Person charged with tax	other titheholder in the household
Albert, Adam	Simon Albert, James Welch

1789 Personel Tax
Winchester, Virginia

Albert, Adam	Simon Albert, James Welch, Jacob Weaver

The 1790 record contained only two names in the bracket showing Adam Albert as the person charged with the tax, namely Adam Albert and James Welch.

ALBERT FAMILY - THIRD GENERATION

MARIA BARBARA ALBERT (Michael, William)

I have no data on the families of any of the daughters of Michael Albert except the following entry from the records of Christ Tulpehochen Church:

Adam Rohm, son of John Rohm, and MARIA BARBARA ALBERT, daughter of Michael Albert, married January 3, 1786.

ALBERT FAMILY - THIRD GENERATION

SIMON ALBERT (Michael, William)

My paternal great-great-great grandfather, John Simon Albert, generally called Simon, was born in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania in 1770. He died in 1851 in Washington County, Illinois.

He was the youngest son of Michael and Margaret, as we have heretofore seen in Michael Albert's will. Like many of his family, he was a blacksmith.

I have only two copies of family records mentioning Simon and Mary Albert. The first of these is an old family memorandum in possession of Mrs. Bessie M. Thomure, Livingston, Illinois. She is a daughter of the late Rozella Albert Miller, a daughter of Willis Albert and his wife Lucinda Burge Albert. Willis Albert was the youngest son and child of Simon and Mary Albert and the latter two lived with him and his wife in their old age. The old memorandum was apparently written by Rozella Albert and based on information which her parents gave her although it might well have been written by Lucinda, wife of Willis Albert.

The second family record is the John H. Ware Record referred to in Chapter One.

We shall refer to these two records as the Rozella Albert Miller Record and the John H. Ware Record respectively.

The Rozella Albert Miller record was sent to me in a ltter, dated 28 July 1956, by her daughter, Mary Miller of Granite City, Illinois, which reads in pertinent part as follows:

"My mother was Rozella Albert born to Willis Albert and Lucinda Burg (sic) in 1856. The only family record I have is Simon Albert and Mary Gregor married in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, came west and settled in the White Plains, 8 miles from Salem, Illinois. Their children were Jake Albert, Bill Albert, Mike Albert, Mat. Albert, Jim Albert, Willis Albert (Mrs. Henry Wire-sic), Sally Albert (Mrs. Felthy) and Betsy Albert (Mrs. Uethern).

"From this family Willis my grandfather, married Lucinda Burg. Their children were Mat Albert, Henderson Albert, Ellen Albert, Willis Albert, Millie Albert, Rozella Albert, Lucy Albert and John Albert.

"They attended the Antioch Baptist Church out from Salem. My mother told us all records of land or family could be found in the Salem Court House, that grandfather had bought tracts of land for 25 cents an acre. She spoke of uncles and cousins who served in the Civil War. My mother was born in 1856, died 12 years ago. At the time of the opening of the Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, the family left Illinois and traveled by covered wagon thru Missouri, stopping at Pilot Knob to visit a sister of gransfathers and on to Oklahoma. Grandfather did not like the land and so returned to Odin to raise his family.

"As a child I visited with my mother to Odin, Sandoval and Salem and the country about. Many times to the Old Odin Cemetery where the grandparents were buried. My last visit was about six years ago when Mr. Miller and myself were passing thru Odin.

"My mother's brothers and sisters, their husbands and wives have all died except Mrs. Maggie Albert, my Uncle John's wife. She is up in years so only a Christmas card with her name tells me she is living.

"There was a cousin, Anna Albert (about 80 years old) daughter to Willis Albert. Anna married a John Held Shields of New York who had racing horses. After his death she married a MacLaughlin of Long Island and California. He was supposed to be connected with the movies. Anna was a person with lots of character and a go-getter. She developed several subdivisions in the northern part of Long Island. She would

return to Odin in the summer for brief visits, during these visits she bought back some of the land grandfather had owned. Oil was found on most of this land during the Southern Illinois oil boom. She visited my home in 1952. The last time I heard from her was five years ago. At this time she was ill. Several of my letters were returned. She was having the Albert family tree traced. At present this is all the information I can find. My mother married David Nelson Miller born in New York but came to Centralia, Illinois. I, Mary Miller, married Bernard S. Miller born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and came to Granite City, a little confusing."

I think I should add that Bernard S. Miller and Mary Miller were of no known relationship, so there was nothing incestuous about their marriage. I should further add that I knew in her lifetime Anne McLaughlin, mentioned in the above letter. I have in my files many letters which she wrote to me. I might add that she was interested in the family history, but her findings were rather scant.

From Mary Miller and her sister, Bessie Thomure, and from Anne McLaughlin I have picked up a little family lore, which apparently the Willis Albert children all knew and heard. Incidentally, Willis' wife, Lucinda, seems to have kept up with the family and was a source of information for those who left the county. In this regard a letter written by her to John H. Ware, postmarked Salem, Illinois, 7 Feb. 1877 shows how she kept up with her husband's family (See John H. Ware's Family Record, page 31). She undoubtedly remembered and told her children everything her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Simon and Mary Albert, told her about their lives. The 1850 Marion County, Illinois

Census shows that Simon and Mary were then living with Billi[illegible] and her. Of course, she may have got the details mixed up at times.

Whether the following tale which has been told to me by those above mentioned is fact or tradition, it at least tells us what our relatives of one hundred years ago were saying about their grandparents.

The story is that Simon Albert was a blacksmith in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Mary Gregor's father was a farmer in that area. During the harvest season Simon Albert went out on the farms and got employment as a reaper. Here the story divides. One variation says that he got a job on the Gregor farm and met Mary. The other says that he went to church and saw this girl singing and became entranced by her eyes, and that this was the beginning of the romance which was a predicate to the hundreds of us who are their descendants.

The other and, except for a couple of omissions, perhaps more important family record was that of John H. Ware, who wrote down and preserved the name of his parents, grandparents, and collateral relatives, as he knew and remembered them, not long after he was discharged from the Civil War. He was a son of the marriage of Henry Ware and Catherine Albert, the sixth recorded marriage in Marion County, Illinois. He devotes the first five pages to his paternal line and immediate family. On page 6 he takes up the Alberts as follows:

John H. Ware's Family

Record Grandparents

"Simon Albert John H Wares grandfather Died in Washington County,

State of Illinois in 1851 at the good old age of 93 years old and of the Dutch descent a Blacksmith by Trade.

"Mary Albert John H. Wares Grandmother died about 1851 in Marion County Illinois and he had Maried Patsy Young a Sister to James and Matthew Young an their children was Simon Nancy and polly and Ely and Levi twins and William the youngest and he moved with John H. Ware to Texas and Maried Mary Casaday (sic) and died in the time of the war.

"Simon Married Polly Malcom and died in 1853.

"Ely Married Sophia Vaughn She had bin Maried to Wilbourn and her maiden name was Sophia Chaffin Lias Chaffins Daughter and was Borned the Elventh of July 1828.

"Nancy Married Gov Brawley.

"Pop married Obediah Evans and had Bin Married to John Moore the fortion teller and Aunt Patsy died in 1846 in Marion County Illinois.

"William Albert son of Simon and Mary Albert John H. Wares Grandparents he died in Missouri about 1855 and he had Maried Nancy Young a Sister to James and Mathew Young They both died on the Sinkin Fork of Black River in Missouri i dont but very little about their Family Only Riley Albert i have seen him on my Way to Texas in 1853 at the Pilot Knob.

"James Albert Son of Simon and Mary Albert John H Wares Grandparents Died about 1862 1852 in Marion County Illinois and he had married Jincey Young James Youngs Daughter and Aunt Nancy Ware That Maried James Young And they Bore Children their names was

1. Jo-n Albert
2. Henry Albert maried Elizabeth Malcom
3. James Marion was killed at Helena -----
4. Reubin
5. Francis
6. Nancy Cathorine
7. Susan

"Mikel Albert Son of Simon & Mary

"Betsy Albert Son (sic) of Simon and Mary She James Worthington and the lived in Southern Illinois on Beig (sic) Muddy i did not know But Very little about them i Remember of Seeing them on a visit about the year 1835.

"Willis Albert Son of Simon and Mary John H Wares Grandparents Willis Maried Lucinda Burge in 1843 in Marion County Illinois and they bore Children and their Names Was Mathew William and Henderson up to 1853 and then I went (to) Texas.

"The Alberts & Wares and Youngs and Davidson Was the First Settlers of Marion County, Illinois***."

John H. Ware then proceeds to list the children and grandchildren of his paternal grandparents, Malachi and Jane Ware, whose son, Henry Ware, was John H. Ware's father, as follows:

"Henry Ware Maried Cathorine Albert
Malicijah Dead Small
William Dead Small
John Maried Polly Ann & Jane Snodgradd
Louisa Maried Calvin Malcom
Mary died at 12 years old"

There are two discrepancies between the record in possession of Mrs. Bessie Thomure and the John H. Ware Record. The former record mentions two children of Simon and Mary Albert not mentioned by Ware. These are Mat and Sally Felthy (nee Albert). Anne McLaughlin advised me the latter was "Felty". I believe this is correct and that this

this was an omission by Ware. In Butler County, Kentucky, where Simon Albert lived before going to Illinois, the name Felty is found. Likewise, as we have pointed out in the preceding chapter in connection with the probate of Michael Albert's will, a Conrad Felty was listed in Berks County, Pennsylvania. A Conrad Felty and Simon Albert also appeared in the 1800 tax records of Logan County, Kentucky out of which Butler County was formed. It should be pointed out, perhaps, that we have never been able to find a Felty family near the Alberts in Illinois or Missouri where they went when they left Kentucky. Her nieces and nephews in Illinois probably never saw her and John H. Ware, if he ever heard of her, probably forgot all about her.

It is also easy to understand why John H. Ware might have missed Matthew Albert. John Ware states in his Family Record at page 45, where he begins a fairly lengthy autobiography taking himself up to the 1850's. He started this biography as follows: "My earliest remembrance was in June 1835 Father moved from Salem Illinois to Clay County, Illinois.***" Ware then recounts that at Augusta, Illinois, "i found a flat botton boat Sunk and Father raised it and we moved down the Illinois River in it and Stoped at Mike Alberts and James Worthington and staid a few days and then went on down the River To Plumb Point Bend and Stopped at Osceola, Mississippi County, Arkansas. We landed there in 1837***." Incidentally, Henry Ware was shown in Osceola County, Arkansas in the 1840 census. Most of the sheet showing the return of the Wares back up the Mississippi River to St. Louis has been destroyed, but it does appear that they were there in 1842. The sheet showing their return to Marion County, Illinois has

been destroyed, and the account picks up as follows:

"They was Only Grand father and Granbrother and Willis a living to Gether it was two or three days before I Saw father and Mother they went to Salem to Jack Youngs We had Bin Gone from Salem about 8 years. So after went round and saw all connection Got after father to Bye Nathan Adames Mill south and west of Salem*** and (father) was taken Sick and died at they Mill and was Berried at Billie Daniel's graveyard and then mother and Louisa and Mary and me was left alone and we left they Mill and Moved up to Uncle James Alberts about three miles from the Mill and Staid there a While and fixed up and Started for Arkansas to Collect some notes***." John H. Ware then writes about his stay in Arkansas and his trip back to Marion County in 1845. Later in 1853 he left for Denton County, Texas, and then to Barry County, Missouri. There is no evidence that he ever returned again to Illinois.

In addition to the assistance this account of Ware's travels gives in tracking down other members of the family, it shows that he left Marion County when he was only seven years old. He probably did not remember much about the place or all his numerous relatives there before that time, and that his recollection extended primarily to those living there after 1843. As we shall later see, Mathew Albert had left the County before 1843 and, so far as is known, never returned. This would seem to explain why John H. Ware did not remember him when he was listing the children of Simon and Mary Albert.

We turn now from family to public records. Although in part repetitions, hereinafter are shown more or less in chronological order all public records pertinent to Simon and Mary Albert which I have been able to find:

Church record: Zions of Blue Mountain, supra:

MICHAEL ALBERT & wife	JOHN SIMON: bapt. July 29, 1770	Sponsors: Simon Groh & wife

Will Record: MICHAEL ALBERT, Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Penn., Dec. 6, 1774, supra (more extensive extracts above given):

"I give to my beloved wife Margaret the government of my place*** until my beloved son Simon, my youngest son in my lifetime, is twenty-one years old***. But should she marry before my son Simon is twenty-one*** then shall my said wife***go off the place***. It shall be done that when my son Simon is of the age of twenty-one***my sons shall chuse an impartial man, William one, Adam one, and Simon one***. Will my son Simon keep the same alone then shall it be wholly his; but if both sons namely Simon and Adam***make an equal partition then shall it be divided***. William, my eldest son and Adam the second, shall each of them have their smith's tools, and the third, namely Simon, shall instead of his smith's tools have the fifteen pounds in money***."

Personal Property Tax Lists,
Winchester, Virginia:

Person charged with tax & date	Names of white titheholders
May 22, 1788: ADAM ALBERT	ADAM ALBERT James Welch SIMON ALBERT
April 22, 1789 ADAM ALBERT	ADAM ALBERT SIMON ALBERT Jacob Weaver James Welch

Logan County, Kentucky Tax Lists

1792-1797	No Alberts
1798	Records Missing

1799 ALBERT, SIMON, White males over 21-1

1800 ALBREATH, SIMON, White males-1

1801 Same

1802 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1, horses-2

1803 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1

1804 ALBRITH, SIMON, White males-1

1805 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1

1806 ALBERT, SIMON, qualified voters-1, white males-1

1807 ALBERT, SIMON-Same

1808 ALBRETH, SIMON, White males-1, horses-1

1809-Same

1810 et seq. - No Alberts

In 1810 Butler County was formed out of Logan and Ohio Counties. Therefore, the following records probably represent no change in residence:

1810 U.S. Census, Butler County, Kentucky

SIMON ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one under 10	four under 10
two 10-16	one 26-45
one 26-45	

(Note that the age bracket for Simon Albert in the above 1810 census record shows that he was born at sometime between 1765 and 1784. This is consistent with the birthdate of a person baptized in 1770 as shown in the records of Zions of Blue Mountain Church, supra. We have also noted above in extant probate proceedings of Michael Albert's will in Tulpehocken Township that the final account was rendered in 1791, twenty-one years after the year in which Simon was baptized. Since

the will called for settlement when Simon was [illegible] years of age, we may assume that he was born the same year he was baptized, namely in 1770.)

Butler County, Kentucky Tax Lists:

1811 ALBERT, SIMON, Males above 20-1

1812-13 Not Listed

1814 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1, horses-3

1815 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1, horses-3

1816 ALBERT, SIMON, White males-1, horses-3

1817 etc. seq. not listed.

Butler County, Kentucky Court Orders:

"Spril 1816:

"At a County Court held at the courthouse in Morgantown On Monday the 8th day of April 1816 Present: Thomas Carson Abner Womack and Elizabeth Bennett esqrs.

"On the motion of John Ferguson, It is hereby ordered that Aquilly Wiley be and he is hereby appointed Surveyor of the road from the flatrock to the logan county line, further ordered that the following hands assist said Surveyor to Open and keep said road in repair 20 feet wide agreeably to law, to wit, Benja Porter and hands James Wiley Carred Lane Wm Pemberton James Ewing Archibald Peay SIMON ALBERT Benja Davis Robert Davis & hands & John Ferguson.

"Present John Tyler and William Ewings, esqrs."

1820 U.S. Census, Jackson County, Illinois:

SIMON ALBERT

Males:	Females:
three under 10	one 10-16
three 10-16	one 16-26
one over 45	one over 45

1825 Illinois State Census, Salem, Illinois

SIMON ALBERT

1823 Record of Ear Marks for the County of Marion commencing May 29th, 1823.

1823 "May 29th to SIMON ALBERT-Crop & underbitin the left ear and split in the right."

(It is interesting to note that this is the first entry on the first page of the Marion County Ear Mark Record Book).

1826 "Taken up by Simon Albert Six marked hogs & six pigs belonging to the same gang of the following description Three sows and three barrows two white sows and one white barrow & two spotted barrows & one spotted sow marked with a crop & split in the left ear appraised to eight dollars before Jos. Hensley by John W. Nichols and Malichai Ware this 20th day November 1826. Recorded this 5th day of Dec. 1826 R. Richer."

1829 "Taken up by Walter Farr living in the Albert Settlement seven miles west of Salem a yellow bay mare 14 hands high 6 years old this spring some saddle spots on each side, supposed to be stifled in the right stifled joint, left hind foot and the ring bone on the same Appraised to 14 Dolls by John Maples & Samuel Sharp April 29th 1829 B. M. Simpson J. P. Recorded May 4th 1829."

1830 U.S. Census, Marion County, Illinois

SIMON ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one 10-15	one 50-60
one 15-20	
one 60-70	

JACOB ALBERT

Males:	Females:
two under 5	one under 5
one 10-15	one 10-15
one 30-40	one 30-40

WILLIAM ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one 30-40	two under 5
	one 10-15
	one 20-30

MICHAEL ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one 5-10	two under 5
one 20-30	one 20-30

1840 U.S. Census, Marion County, Illinois:

SIMON ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one 20-30	one 60-70
one 70-80	

JAMES ALBERT

Males:	Females:
one under 5	one under 5
one 5-10	one 20-30

one 80-90 (Samuel Young, age 80, Revolutionary War Pensioner)

JACOB ALBERT

Males:
one 5-10
two 10-15
two 20-30
one 40-50

Females:
one 15-20
one 20-30
one 30-40

WILLIAM ALBERT

Males:
one 10-15
one 40-50

Females:
two under 5
two 10-15
one 40-50

ANNA ALBERT

Males:
one 10-15

Females:
one under 5
one 20-30

Alberts in 1850 U.S. Census, Marion County, Illinois:

159/162	Wm. H. Huff	48	M	Farmer	Tenn.
	Mary	31	F		Ky.
	Nathaniel "	9	M		Ill.
	Benjamin "	7	M		"
	Andrew "	6	M		"
	James "	3	M		"
	George "	3	M		"
	Joshua "	1	M		"
	WILLIAM ALBERT	18	M	Laborer	"
	Jacob Craig	26	M	Farmer	Penn.
165/8	ELI ALBERT	21	M	Farmer	Ill.
	Sophia "	24	F		Tenn.
	Elizabeth Milburn	6	F		Ill.
	Lucinda Vaughn	4	F		"
	Hulda "	2	F		"
347/5	SIMON ALBERT	31	M	Farmer	Ill.
	MARY "	25	F		Tenn.
	JAMES "	7	M		Ill.
	JOHN "	5	M		"
	EMILY "	4	F		"
	JOSEPH "	1	M		"

348/56	WILLIS ALBERT	31	M	[illegible]	Ill.
	LUCINDA "	24	F		Ill.
	MATHEW "	5	M		Ill.
	WILLIAM "	3	M		"
	HENDERSON "	4/12	M		"
	SIMON "	90	M		Tenn.
	MARY "	83	F		Tenn.
350/8	LEVI ALBERT	20	M	Laborer	Ill.
	NANCY "	33	F		"
	MARY "	10	F		Mo.
	SARAH "	7	F		"

1870 Marion County, Illinois Census

237/41	ALBERT, JAMES	27	M	Farmer	Ill.
	" Mary	23	F		"
	" Joseph	3	M		"
	" Lucy	1	F		"
238/42	ALBERT, MARY	40	F		Ill.
	" Martha	13	F		"
	" Allen	11	M		"
272/7	ALBERT, JOHN	25	M		Mo.
	" Susan	21	F		Ky.
275/8	ALBERT, WILLIS	52			Ill.
	" LUCINDA	45			Ind.
	" ELLEN	17			Ill.
	" ARNOLD	15			"
	" ROSALIE	13			"
	" LUCY	7			"
	" JOHN H.	4			"
369/74	ALBERT, HENRY	36		Wagon Maker	Ill.
	" ELIZABETH	31			Mo.
	" FRANCIS	10			Ill.
	" SARAH J.	2			"
	" IDA	1/2			"
370/5	ALBERT, FRANCIS	25		Farm Laborer	Ill.
	" LOUISA	23			"
	" ADDA B.	3			"

[illegible]/11	ALBERT, [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ill.
	" LUCY	19		"
[illegible]/12	ALBERT, M.A.	25		Ill.
	" Frances	19		"
	" Henry	20		"

1880 Marion County, Illinois Census

ALBERT, HENDERSON	27	Laborer	Ill. [illegible]	N.Y.
" JOHANNAH	22		Ill. [illegible]	[illegible]
" MICHAEL	3		Ill. Ill.	Ill.

(Note: in the 1880 Census the first second and third columns show state of birth of person names, his father and mother respectively)

Salem Township

ALBERT, WILLIS	64		Ill. Penn.	Penn.
" LUCINDA	54		N.Y. N.Y.	N.Y.
" ELLEN	24		Ill. Ill.	Ill.
" JOHN	14		" "	"
" LUCY	19		" "	"
ALBERT, MATTHEW	36		Ill. Penn.	N.Y.
" FRANCES A.	28		Ky. Ky.	Ky.
" LOUIS L.	7		Ill. Ill.	Ky.
" WM. O.	3		" "	"
ALBERT, MARY	55		Tenn. Va.	Va.
" MARTIN	24		Ill. Ill.	Va.
" ALLEN	21		" "	"
ALBERT, JOHN	36		Ill. Ill.	Tenn.
" SUSAN	36		Ky. Ky.	Ky.
" LUCIE	8		Ill. Ill.	Ky.
" MARY F.	5		" "	"
" WILLIE	9/12		" "	"

The principal problem involved in the foregoing records is whether the same SIMON ALBERT in each instance, except for his grandson, refers to the same person. From the 1799 Logan County, Kentucky tax record to the time of his death in 1831 in Washington County, Illinois proof of the identity of Simon Albert is direct and conclusive. The fact that Simon Albert's name was deleted from the Logan County tax lists and picked up in Butler County, Kentucky [illegible] no presumption of a

change in residence. [illegible] Logan and Ohio Counties. The [illegible] requiring Simon Albert [illegible] to the Logan County line" indicates that Simon Albert lived in that part of Butler County which was [illegible] County. The presumption, therefore, is that his residence in both counties was the same.

Sufficient proof of the identity of Simon Albert of Butler County, Kentucky and Simon Albert who later lived in Marion County, Illinois will be apparent from an examination of the War of 1812 and bounty land records of Jacob Albert (fourth generation). It will be seen that Jacob Albert, oldest son of Simon Albert, served in the War of 1812 from Butler County, Kentucky, in 1815; his bounty land warrant was issued to his youngest son, William, in Marion County, Illinois where he, Jacob, died in 1847.

That this was the same SIMON ALBERT who was living in Jackson County, Illinois, in 1830 is also evident. The U.S. Census for that county that year listed Simon and Michael Albert. John B. Ware, in his Family Record, says that his family visited Uncle "Mikel" Albert on the "Big Muddy in southern Illinois in 1835." The Big Muddy River is located in Jackson County.

For the period prior to 1799, there seems to be sufficient evidence of the identity of Simon Albert of Berks County, Pennsylvania and Simon Albert of Winchester, Virginia. We recall that Michael Albert of Berks County, Pennsylavania had three sons, William, Adam, and Simon. The names of all three of these appeared in Frederick County, Virginia tax records in 1783 and 1786. None of them appeared

on Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania births for the same year. Here we have not a single or double but a triple coincidence in two places at the same time. During the two years in Winchester, Virginia, Simon Albert was shown in the same household as Adam Albert. We have seen in our chapter on William Albert (Michael), blacksmith by trade, had Pennsylvania service in the Revolutionary War, was pensioned in Frederick County, Virginia, where he died September 4, 1823.

We have also seen that William Albert married Catharine Kantner, daughter of George and Christine Kantner. George Kantner left a will in which he mentioned his son-in-law, William Albert. On April 6, 1789, William Albert, State of Virginia, blacksmith, and Catharine, his wife (she being the daughter of George Kantner, late of Tulpehocken Township, released their rights (Vol. 25, Deed Records, Berks County, Pennsylvania).

It is difficult to conceive that the above facts and sequence of events, the "blacksmith" trade, the identity of three names, the deed executed by William Albert of Frederick County and recorded in Berks County, Pennsylvania, and the disappearance of these names from Berks County and reappearance in Frederick County, Virginia, could add up to anything but a conclusion that these three men were brothers and sons of Michael Albert, late of Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Our next problem is to identify Simon Albert, born to Michael and Margaret Albert in Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, with Simon Albert, pioneer settler of Marion County, Illinois. While direct substantiating proof has not been found, the identity seems to be morally certain. In the first place there is the identity of the name. In some cases this may not be very strong evidence but in the

early days of this country the name [illegible] indeed. The indexes of the 1790 U. S. Census records [illegible] single person of this name. Furthermore, I have examined all extant census records for the years 1790 and 1810 and all tax records after 1790 for all states where they are available and where census records are lacking. Except for my own ancestor in Logan County and Butler County, Kentucky, tax records and the 1810 Butler County Census record the name, Simon Albert, does not once appear.

The surname ALBERT was not common in early America. It appears only 32 times in all available 1790 Census records. Eighteen of these were in Pennsylvania, six in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, and two in Harford County, Maryland. Thus in all, 26 of the 32 Albert heads of households in the 1790 census records were in the so called Pennsylvania Dutch or German areas.

What might also be of some significance is that the names of Simon Albert's sons follow a pattern among Tulpehocken, Berks County, and Frederick County, Virginia, families. For instance, two of Simon's sons were Michael and William, names found in every generation of my Albert family since Simon's generation and still found among my kinsmen today.

The next point of note is identity of occupation. Most of the early Alberts in my family appear to have been blacksmiths. Thus Michael Albert in his will referred to his son's "smith tools". William Albert in Tulpehocken tax records, in a deed executed in Frederick County, Virginia, and in his Revolutionary War Pension record was invariably referred to as a "blacksmith". John H. Wise,

a blacksmith, refers to [illegible] Dutch descent, a blacksmith by trade. [illegible] of Willis Albert says [illegible] went out to work in the harvest [illegible] Gregor.

In public records only one problem has arisen. We have noted in the 1880 Marion County, Illinois census record that SIMON ALBERT, age 91, and MARY ALBERT, age 86, living in the household of Willis Albert were shown to have been born in Tennessee. However, in the 1850 census for Willis Albert, in the same county, the father and mother of Willis Albert are both shown to have been born in Pennsylvania. While normally, the 1850 census would appear to be better evidence than the 1880 record, it is my opinion that the earlier record is erroneous. I believe the census taker in transcribing his notes simply wrote Tenn. for Penn. This is a mistake which obviously would be easy to make. In fact I have found the same mistake in another record. In a death certificate for John Miller of Scott County, Virginia, I found he was listed as having been born in York County, Tennessee. I found there was no York County, Tennessee, but I found John Miller in York County, Pennsylvania. I may add here that several mistakes were made by the census taker in the 1850 Marion County, Illinois census. For instance, in the family of my great-grandparents, Eli and Sophi Albert, shown heretofore, the oldest daughter is listed as Elizabeth "Wilborn", when her name was in fact Elizabeth "Wilburn."

In my opinion the Tennessee birth of Simon and Mary Albert cannot be substantiated. Tennessee was not even a state at the time when they were born. Furthermore, I have examined all existing census records

for Tennessee for 1820 and these are the [illegible] censuses. They contain no Alberts and no Gregors. The North Carolina Land Grants in Tennesse (1778 1791), compiled by [illegible] and Gardner, contains no Alberts and no Gregors. I have examined all early published Bible Books for Tennessee; they list no Alberts or Gregors. I have checked all material on Revolutionary soldiers from Tennessee in the University of Tennessee Library at Knoxville; I found no Gregors or Alberts. The Roster of North Carolina in the Revolution (DAR) shows neither named. "Tennessee Records, Bible Records and Marriage Bonds" (Acklin) contains no Alberts and no Gregors.

On the other hand we do find a Simon Albert in Berks County, Pennsylvania and we find one known to be our ancestor in Logan and Butler Counties, Kentucky. As we have previously indicated, we find a Conrad Foley in the administration papers of Michael Albert in Berks County, Pennsylvania in 1791. We do not find him in the 1800 census for that county but we do find him and Simon Albert in 1800 tax records for Logan County, Kentucky. We have previously pointed out that one of Simon Albert's daughters, Sally, married a man by the name of Felty. I would like to find more direct proof, but to me the identity of Simon Albert from Berks County, Pennsylvania to Marion County, Illinois is quite convincing.

There seems to be some doubt as to when Simon and Mary Albert were born. John L. Mott says they were ninety-three years old when they died. The 1850 census lists their ages as 90 and 88 respectively. I do not think they were that old. If Mary Albert was 88 in 1850, then she was 56 when her youngest son was born. She was 53 when her son

James was born and post [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]. Not only is this highly unlikely, but it is not consistent with the Butler County, Kentucky census record, which indicates they were considerably younger than they were apparently thought to be in 1850. In the 1810 census they were both shown to have been between 26 and 45 years of age. This means they were born between 1765 and 1784 and could not have been more than 85 years of age in 1850. In my opinion they were probably about 80 and 78 instead of 90 and 88 years of age in 1850. If this is correct, then Simon Albert would have been born around 1770 which was the year of the baptism of John Simon Albert in the Zions Church in Tulpehochen Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The 1770 birth is incidentally not inconsistent with any other census record in which Simon Albert's name appears except the 1850 Marion County, Illinois census. Moreover, if Simon Albert had been 90 years old in 1850 he would probably have been in the Revolutionary War and would probably have drawn a pension. He was not listed as a pensioner, and I have not been able to find any record of his service. The Zions Church record considered together with the fact that Simon Albert's children appear to have been rather young for those of a Revolutionary soldier, indicates to me that he was too young to be in the Revolution.

We have indicated that seven of Simon and Mary Albert's children were listed in John H. Kane's record. Two more, Sally and Matthew, were listed in the record kept by [illegible] Willis Albert heirs. Plenty of evidence of the names of all nine of the children (six boys and three girls) appears to be available. There were probably others, as evidenced by the 1810 Butler County, Kentucky census, who did not

live to maturity and whose names have been lost. There is some discrepancy between the Ware and the Willis Albert heirs record as to the spelling of names of two of the husbands of two of the daughters of Simon Albert, namely Betsy and Catharine. We know that Ware was right on Catharine because she was his mother and the record of her marriage to Henry Ware is in the first marriage book of Marion County, Illinois. He must also have been right that Betsy married James Worthington, and not Uetheran, because he remembered visiting them. Likewise a James Worthington is found in the census records for the area in which he indicated they lived.

To return to the period between 1789, when Simon Albert last appeared in the tax records of Winchester County, Virginia, and 1789 when he first showed on the tax records of Logan County, Kentucky, we can only surmise where he went in the meantime. Simon Albert appears to have reached his maturity in 1791, and we know this to have been the year when Michael Albert's will was settled. It is possible that he left Frederick County and went back to Berks County, Pennsylvania, to get his part of his father's estate, and that he used this money to get started in business and to get married. If he went back to Berks County he must have lived with some family as he was not listed as a head of household in the 1790 census. We have seen from one of our family records that Simon Albert was said to have been a blacksmith in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and that he married Mary Gregor whose family lived on a farm in the area. This is the only evidence that we have of his wife's maiden name, and we have no other evidence that he ever lived in Pittsburg. However, we do know from the 1850 Marion

County, Illinois census record and from the John H. Lee record that his wife's Christian name was Mary.

We have found only two bits of evidence that might be relevant to Mary Albert's maiden name and of her marriage to Simon Albert in the Pittsburg area.

The only Albert living in the area in the 1790 census was John Albert, a head of household in Washington County, Pennsylvania. We also find the following:

Union Township, Fayette County

Jacob Greiger

Again in the Berks County area we find:

Maxatawney Township, 1790

Jacob Greeger

A thorough search of these names in these areas might throw some additional light. We have not been successful in attempts we have made to get information by mail.

We do not find any public record containing Simon Albert's name over an important ten year period. After seeing him in Winchester in the 1789 tax list until we see him in the 1799 Logan County, Kentucky list. However, the 1850 census of Reynolds County, Missouri, indicates that Simon Albert's second son, William, was 54 years old at the time and was born in Kentucky. If this is correct then Simon Albert was in the state by 1795. We do not know where he was, and a search of all extant tax records between 1790 and 1799 has failed to locate him.

The children listed below all apparently lived to have their own families. There were probably others who died in childhood and whose names are not known. This would appear probable from the 1810 Butler

County, Kentucky census. The order in which we list them must be approximately correct. John H. Ware says Jacob was "the oldest of the boys". Sally may have been older. She is the only one we have not been able to find in any Illinois census record or any other public record. We are told that her husband's name was Polly but we have no knowledge of his first name. Michael Albert was apparently married in Jackson County, Illinois, but the records of that county were destroyed, and we do not know his wife's name.

CHILDREN OF SIMON AND MARY ALBERT

i.	Sally	(10+)
ii.	Jacob	(11+)
iii.	William	(12+)
iv.	Michael	(13+)
v.	Betsy	(14+)
vi.	Catherine	(15+)
vii.	Matthew	(16+)
viii.	James	(17+)
ix.	Willis	(18+)

FOURTH GENERATION - WILLIAM ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

William, son of Simon and Mary Albert, was born in Kentucky about 1796. He died in Reynolds County, Missouri some time after 1860. John H. Ware, in his Family Record, says he died in 1855. He must have had him confused with his wife, Nancy Albert. The 1860 Census for Reynolds County lists William but not Nancy Albert. (1850 and 1860 Reynolds County, Missour Census).

William Albert married Nancy Young probably in what is now Marion County, Illinois. Nancy Young was a daughter of Samuel Young and a sister of Patsy Young. The brothers, Jacob and William Albert, married sisters. The Jacob Albert and Patsy Young marriage is mentioned in most Marion County, Illinois histories, but the only

record I have found of the William Albert and Nancy Young marriage is in John H. Ware's Family Record.

It appears that Jacob and William Albert left Butler County, Kentucky shortly after the War of 1812 and went to what is now Marion County, Illinois to join the Young family with whom they had probably become acquainted back in Kentucky. According to "History of Marion and Clinton Counties, Illinois", by Brink McDonough and Co. (1881), supra, the Samuel Young family went to Illinois from Tennessee and were shortly followed by Jacob and William Albert from the same part of Tennessee. This is undoubtedly incorrect. In his application for a Revolutionary War pension, Samuel Young stated that he left Tennessee and lived in Logan County, Kentucky before he went to Illinois. The Albert family was living in Logan (later Butler) County, Kentucky during this period, and it was probably there that the courtship of the Albert boys and the Young girls began.

William Albert appears to have left Marion County, Illinois about 1840 and settled in Reynolds County, Missouri. He must have left Illinois shortly after the 1840 Census was taken. He was listed in the Marion County Census for that year, but in the 1850 Census for Reynolds County, Missouri, his daughter, Mary age 10, is shown to have been born in Missouri.

A parenthetical statement may be inserted here to show the extent to which the Alberts name their children after their older relatives. We have noted that William Albert's mother was "Mary". We have previously noted that one of Jacob Albert's daughters was "Mary". We will see also that one of Michael Albert's daughters

was "Mary". Here we have three brothers each naming a daughter after his mother.

William Albert spent the last twenty or thirty years of his life on what is known as Sinking Creek (or Sinking Fork of Black River) in Reynolds County, Missouri. It is a beautiful, thinly settled Ozark region where the waters are clear and the fishing fine. Many of William Albert's descendants still live in the area. I have been told by some of them that a number of Marion County, Illinois, people went there in the early days to find work in lumber mills and were stranded there when hard times hit. They apparently lived as much by hunting and trapping as by farming and logging.

Following are Census records pertinent to William Albert:

1818 Washington County, Illinois State Census

WILLIAM ALBERT
white males over 21-1 All others-4

1820 Jefferson County, Illinois, U.S. Census

Males:	Females:
One from 16-26	One under 10
	One from 16-26

1830 Marion County, Illinois

WILLIAM ALBERT

One from 30-40	One from 5-10
	One from 10-15
	One from 20-30

1840 Marion County, Illinois

WILLIAM ALBERT

One from 10-15	One from 15-20
One from 40-50	One from 20-30
	One from 30-40

1850 Reynolds County, Missouri

WILLIAM ALBERT		54	Kentucky
NANCY	"	52	Tennessee
RILEY	"	18	Illinois
MARTHA	"	15	Illinois
MARY	"	10	Missouri
CATHERINE	"	8	Missouri
EASTER	"	6	Missouri

1860 Reynolds County, Missouri

WILLIAM ALBERT		66	Kentucky
CATHARINE	"	17	Missouri
ESTHER	"	15	Missouri

John H. Ware's Family Record contains the following brief statement about William Albert and his family:

"William Albert, son of Simon and Mary Albert, John H. Ware's grandparents. He died in Missouri about 1855 and he had married Nancy Young, sister to James and Matthew Young. They both died on the Sinking Fork of Black River in Missouri. I don't know but very little about this family. Only Riley Albert, I have seen him on my way to Texas in 1853 at the Pilot Knob."

Record of Ear Marks for the County of Marion, State of Illinois Commencing May 29th 1873:

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June 28 William Alberts mark Swallow fork in the left and under bit in the right ear.

Following are other Marion County Court House records on William Albert:

Mortgage - William Albert to John W. Rousch, Dec. 3, 1839 - part Sec. 16, 2N 2E.

Deed - William Albert and Nancy Albert to John Tunfell, April 15, 1841.

This deed must have been given about the time William Albert sold his land in Marion County, Illinois and went to Reynolds County, Missouri.

The 1850 Reynolds County, Missouri Census shows Riley Albert (full name, William Riley Albert) to have been the oldest child in the household of William and Nancy Albert. The 1820, 1830 and 1840 Marion County, Illinois censi show two girls who were apparently sisters older than he. They had left the household before 1850. One of these had to be Matilda Albert who married John Brawley in Marion County, Illinois, August 10, 1845 (Marriage Book A, page 12). All the daughters of her age group of other Alberts in Marion County are accounted for but this one. There were several marriages between the Albert and Brawley families. Riley Albert, William's son, as we shall see, married Esther Caroline Brawley. Nancy Albert, Jacob's oldest daughter, married William Gov. Brawley. This "Matilda Albert", who married John Brawley, was unquestionably a daughter of William and Nancy Albert. There was apparently another daughter older than Riley, but we have not been able to account for her.

KNOWN CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND NANCY ALBERT

i. MATILDA
ii. WILLIAM RILEY
iii. MARTHA
iv. MARY
v. CATHERINE
vi. ESTHER

FOURTH GENERATION-MICHAEL ALBERT [illegible]

Michael Albert, son of Simon and [illegible] Albert, was apparently named after his paternal grandfather. Unfortunately I have very little data on him. John H. Vare, in his family record, speaks of visiting him and his brother-in-law and sister, James and Betsy Worthington, on "the Deig Muddy in Southern Illinois about 1835". Mrs. Bessie Thomison's record shows "Mike" third in the order of the sons of Simon and Mary Albert. Vare lists him third too, and public records seem to bear this out.

Records on Michael Albert are scarce, but I have found him in census records as follows:

1820 Jackson County, Illinois U.S. Census

MICHAEL ALBERT	
Males:	Females:
One 16-26	One 10-16
	One 16-26

1830 Marion County, Illinois Census

MICHAEL ALBERT	
One 5-10	Two under 5
One 20-30	One 20-30

I have not found Michael Albert in any census subsequent to the 1830 Marion County, Illinois Census. He is not listed in the 1840 Census for either Marion or Jackson County, although John H. Vare's account puts him back in the Jackson County area in 1835. The following are evidently pertinent to his family:

1850 Jackson County, Illinois

Andrew J. Davis	34	Illinois
Sarah "	24	Illinois
Nancy Albert	12	Illinois
Michael Albert	8	Kentucky
Andrew J. Davis	5/12	Illinois

1850 Jackson County, Illinois Mortality Census:

Mary Albert 15
Died foot infection for three years [illegible] in area
Northwest of Big Muddy River

1860 Jackson County, Illinois

John Davis	45	Illinois
Sarah "	35	"
Jacob "	7	"
Cyrus "	5	"
Michael "	1	"
Michael Albert	16	"

1870 Jackson County, Illinois

Andrew Davis	60	Illinois
Susan "	26	"
Jacob "	17	"
Henry "	11	"
James "	3	"
Jesse "	10/12	"
Nancy Fisher	50	Kentucky
Michael Albert	30	Illinois
Sarah "	6	"
William "	2	"

The early county records of Jackson County, Illinois were destroyed. Consequently, I have not been able to find a record of his marriage. He probably died before 1850, and he may have been married twice. The 1850 Marion County, Illinois Census indicates that he had a son, born between 1820 and 1825 and two daughters born between 1825 and 1830. All ages of this age do not appear in the 1850 Jackson County Census, because they would have been twenty and thirty years of age at the time. However, three younger Alberts, one of whom, Mary, died in 1850, and two others, Nancy and Michael, lived with the family of Andrew John Davis, probably a relative or in-law. The names of these children makes it almost certain that they were Michael Albert's.

It may also be noted that [illegible] 1, [illegible], was [illegible] in 1850. This means she was born about 1836 and would be the right age to be one of Michael Albert's daughters in the [illegible] bracket in the 1830 Marion County Census.

Turning again to the younger Michael, living with Andrew J. [illegible] in 1850, we note that his birthplace is listed as Ky., Kentucky, although he is listed as having been born in Illinois in the 1860 and 1870 Census. If the Kentucky birth for the younger Michael Albert is correct, then his father may have been in Kentucky when the 1830 Census was taken.

Jackson County records indicate that the younger Michael was married twice:

Marriage Book 1, page 29:

Michael Albert marri[illegible] Permelia Fisher, with "permission of Albert [illegible] of age", Oct. 5, 1861;

by Leon R. Fisher, [illegible].

Book F-1, page 98

Michael Albert married Vienna Gafee, Nov. 28, 1870.

Since the 1870 Census does not show Michael Albert living with either of his wives, his first wife was probably dead when the Census was taken, and he probably had not yet married his second wife. Note that in 1870, he was still living with Andrew J. Davis and that a Nancy Fisher was living with him also, and so were Sarah Albert, age 6, and William Albert, age 2. These children were not certainly Michael Albert's by his first wife, Permelia Fisher.

After the 1870 Census and second marriage late that year we

lose all trace of the Michael Albert family. They [illegible] at least some of his children would have been around. The census, Michael Albert was of the proper age to have served in the Civil War, but, if he did, I have not been able to find any record of his service, Union or Confederate.

CHILDREN OF MICHAEL ALBERT

(Probably incomplete)

i. Mary
ii. Nancy
iii. Michael

CHILDREN OF MICHAEL ALBERT (Michael, Simon, Michael, William) and his wife, Permetta Fisher:

i. Sarah
ii. William

SALLY ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

I have very little information on Sally. John H. Ware did not mention her in his Family Record. This indicates that she probably married and remained in Kentucky when the rest went to Illinois. She was the only one we have never located in Illinois, although we have located Feltys in that State by the 1820's.

In the old family record in possession of Bessie M. Thomure, heretofore set out at length, she is listed first among these girls. The record also states that she married a man by the name of Felty. Anne McLaughlin told us she had discovered it and that her name was Felty. We have already pointed out that Conrad Felty lived in Layon County, Illinois and was apparently a neighbor of Simon Albert. We have also noted that a Conrad Felty is mentioned in the will of Michael Albert in Berks County, Pennsylvania. We have never been able to find

a marriage record of Sally Felty or any other information about the Christian name of her husband, or where they lived, or whether they had children.

I posit that Sally was the oldest child of Simon and Mary Albert. John H. Ware notes in his Family Record, page 6, that "Jacob was the oldest of the boys". He does not state that he was the oldest of the children. Sally seems to have married ahead of the other children and to have been the first to leave the family. There is, therefore, a distinct possibility that she was the oldest of the children, at least the oldest to live to maturity.

The following census records may be pertinent:

1810 Butler County, Kentucky

John Felty

Four under 10	Two 16-26
One 10-16	One over 15

1820 Butler County, Kentucky

Polly Felty

One from 10-16	One from 10-16
Two from 16-26	One over 45

We have already noted that Simon Albert and Conrad Felty were both taxed the same day in Logan County, Kentucky in 1800.

Following may be pertinent tax records from Butler County, Kentucky:

1815-Molly, John Felty
1816-Molly, John, Michael Felty
1820, Magdalen, John Felty

We have found Feltys in Illinois in 1830 but have not been able to identify any of them with Sally. Hoping they may lead to future

clues we list the following:

1830 Perquipin County, Illinois

William Felty

1 to 10	2 to 5
1 to 30	1 to 30
1 to 40	

1830 White County, Illinois

Michael Felty

1 to 5	1 to 5
1 to 10	1 to 10
1 to 40	1 to 30

William Felty

1 to 5	2 to 5
1 to 30	1 to 30

We have located in White County, Illinois, the marriage record of Isaac N. Felty on June 20, 1850, at age 20. He stated in his marriage certificate that his father's name was Michael Felty and his mother was Alpha Hosick. He also states that he was born in White County, Illinois. He must have been born about 1830. His father appears to have been between 30 and 40 in the 1830 census. It is conceivable that he was old enough to have married Sally Felty and that Alpha Hosick was a second wife. Michael Felty married Alpha Newman in White County, Illinois, March 15, 1820.

Another record, though remote, sounds interesting. The deed and estate records of White County, Illinois, indicate that Michael Felty died January 5, 1845, and left Alpha Felty, his widow; Albert Felty; Harriet Hawthorne; and Amanda C. Goodwin, his children. Relinquishment was signed by all of these, including Albert Felty

and Sarah J. Felty, [illegible]

FOURTH GENERATION SALLY ALBERT [illegible]

The only record we have about SALLY [illegible] is a family note heretofore mentioned, in possession of Mrs. Betty Thomas [illegible] Albert, Fillis, Simon, Michael, Fillis?), of Lexington, Illinois. This record simply lists Sally as one of the [illegible] of Simon and Mary Albert. The note also states that Sally married "Felthy". The late Anne McLaughlin, cousin of Mrs. Thomas, says the name was "Felty."

We have previously mentioned that the name Felty, which can hardly be said to be common, has been found in close association with Simon Albert's people in both Berks County, Pennsylvania and in Logan (later Butler) County, Kentucky. We have seen that in the final settlement of Michael Albert's will in Berks County, Pennsylvania in 1791 where an interest payment to Conrad Felty was shown. It is very interesting that in the 1800 Logan County, Kentucky tax lists a Conrad Felty appeared. Simon Albert (Albrecht) appears on the same list, and the tax data for both was 0/1/00. They must have been fairly close neighbors. I posit that this Conrad Felty was the father or grandfather of the husband of Sally Albert.

A few more observations may be in order. In the old family note in Mrs. Thomas's possession, the sons of Simon and Mary Albert are listed first, and they are listed in the order of their ages. Then the three daughters are listed in this order: Sally, Betsy, and Kate. It is quite clear that the last two of these are in the order of their ages. It is logical to assume that Sally was the oldest of the daughters. John H. Ware said that "Jacob was the oldest of the boys." He did

not say he was the oldest of the children. I suspect that [illegible] the oldest, and probably [illegible]. [illegible] that, when Simon Albert moved to Illinois from Kentucky, all the children have been identified as the only surviving Polly. It is not impossible to assume that Polly had already married in Kentucky before they moved to Illinois. She was probably already in her own household at the time.

I wish I could trace the family of Sally Felty. We would probably find leads we have not had before. I have already pointed out that it was through one of Sally's sisters, Catherine Albert, wife of Henry Ware, that we have found the most important single Albert family record ever to come to our attention. I hasten to add that members of almost every branch of the family that I have ever contacted have generally had something to offer, sometimes new or something to help verify or disprove previous findings.

The following entries may or may not be material to our search, but they were found in the records of Pulaski County, Kentucky:

Census Records:

1810 John Felty

Males:	Females:
4 under 10	2 from 16-26
1 from 16-26	1 over 45

1820 Polly Felty

Males:	Females:
1 from 10-16	1 from 10-16
2 from 16-26	1 over 45

Tax Records:

1815 - Molly, John Felty

1816 - Molly, John, Michael Felty

1818 - William Felty[illegible] Molly, Jno, Lewis

1819 - Molly, John, Michael Felty

1820 - [illegible]

1822 - Polly, John Polly

1825 - Mary, John Polly

1827 - Isaac, William, John Felty

1841 - Isaac Felty

FOURTH GENERATION - CATHERINE ALBERT (Virgin, Michael)

The date and place of birth of Catherine Albert are unknown. The 1880 Marshall County, [illegible] Census of Kansas, John H. Were, indicates that she was born in Virginia. This does not appear to be very likely. She appears to have been born in the early 1800's, as indicated by all available census records. She appears on tax payers in Logan County, Kentucky at one time, and was also in Virginia her parents exclusively [illegible]. She is said to have returned to Kentucky after a few years. Unfortunately, I have not been able to find an 1850 census record on Catherine Albert, although she is known to have been living at that time. She died near Centerville, Arkansas in 1854.

Catherine Albert married [illegible] Ware in Macon County, Illinois, January 6, 1821. The marriage ceremony was performed by Joseph Hensley, Justice of the Peace. The marriage is recorded on page 1 of the First Marriage Book of Macon County, Illinois. John H. Ware, son of Henry and Catherine Ware, has left us the most complete and valuable record of our family that I have been able to find anywhere.

Henry Ware was a son of the marriage of Malachai Ware and Jane

uncan. Henry Ware died in 1843 in Marion County, Illinois, three and ne half miles southwest of Salem.

Following are U.S. Census records pertinent to Henry Ware:

830 Marion County, Illinois

Henry Ware

Males:	Females:
1 under 5	1 under 5
1 from 15-20	1 from 20-30
1 from 20-30	

840 Mississippi County, Arkansas

1 from 10-15	1 under 5
1 from 20-30	1 from 5-10
1 from 30-40	1 from 30-40

CHILDREN OF CATHERINE AND HENRY WARE

.	William	(died in infancy)	(31)
i.	Malicijah	"	(32)
ii.	John Henry		(33/)
iv.	Louisa		(34/)
v.	Mary	(died at age 12)	(35)

FOURTH GENERATION - BETSY ALBERT (Simon, Michael)

I have very little information on Betsy Albert. John H. Ware said she married James Worthington. Ware was probably right. He said that the family lived on the "Beig" Muddy in Southern Illinois where his family visited them and his Uncle "Mikel" Albert in 1835. This would place them in the Jackson-Union County area. James Worthington appeared in the Union County census records as follows:

1818 Union County, Illinois State Census

James Worthington, Sr.

1 free white male over 21 All others - 1

James Worthington, Jr.

1820 Union County, Illinois U.S. Census

James Worthington

1 under 10
1 from 16-26

1 from 16-26

The name did not appear in the 1830 census, but the following may be pertinent:

1830 McCracken County, Kentucky

James Worthington, Sr.

1 from 50-60

James Worthington, Jr.

1 under 5
1 from 20-30
1 from 30-40

1 under 5
1 from 20-30

BETSY ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

I have very little inforamtion on Betsy Albert. John H. Ware in his Family Record said she married James Worthington. The record in the possession of Mrs. Bessie M. Thomure said her husband's name was "Weathern". Ware was probably right. Misspelling of surnames of husbands was frequent in Mrs. Thomure's record. For instance, it says Kate (Catherine) Albert married Weir when we know it was Ware, and Sally married Felthy when all evidence indicates it was Felty.

Ware knew the Worthington family. Thus he states in his Family Record that they lived "on the Beig Muddy (sic) in Southern Illinois. I did not know but very little about them. I remember of seeing them on a visit about the year 1835." Later in his Record, Ware said, "My first remembrance was in June 1835. Father moved from Salem, Illinois to Clay County, Illinois and staid thare three months and then moved to Ottawa, Illinois *** and then moved to Augusta, Pike County,

Illinois. At Augusta I found a flat bottom boat sunk and father raised it and we moved down the Illinois River in it and stopped at MIKE ALBERTS and JAMES WORTHINGTON and staid a few days and then went on down the river to Plumb Point Band and stopped at Osceola, Mississippi County, Arkansas. We landed there in 1837."

Big Muddy is in the Jackson and Union County areas of Southern Illinois. Ware's statement seems to be well supported by early census records for the area. Thus we have seen that Simon Albert and his son, Michael Albert, were householders in Jackson County, Illinois in the 1820 census. They were in Marion County in 1830 but Michael returned to Jackson County and has descendants there as late as the 1870's.

Likewise we find the following census records in Union County:

1810 Union County, Illinois State Census

James Worthington, Sr.

1 free white male over 2 all others - 1

James Worthington, Jr.

1 free white male over 21 all others - 4

1820 U.S. Union County, Illinois

James Worthington

1 under 10 1 from 16-26
1 from 16-26

The name did not appear in the 1830 Union County, Illinois Census, but we find the following which may or may not be pertinent:

James Worthington, Sr.

1 from 50-60

James Worthington, Jr.

1 under 5
1 from 20-30
1 from 30-40

1 under 5
1 from 20-30

CATHERINE ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

Catherine Albert was apparently the youngest daughter of Simon and Mary Albert. We have, however, no proof of the date or place of her birth. Although she was probably born in Logan County, Kentucky, the 1880 census for McDonald County, Missouri, for her son, John H. Ware, indicates that she was born in Virginia. A Virginia birth, though of course possible, is highly unlikely.

Catherine Albert married Henry Ware January 8, 1824, and this was the sixth marriage entered in the first Marriage Book of Marion County, Illinois. In his Family Record, page 1, John H. Ware says she died "in Arkansas clost to Fayettville in 1854." Her husband, Henry Ware, according to the same Record died "in Marion County, Illinois 3 1/2 miles Southwest of Salem in 1843."

Since John H. Ware, son of Henry and Catherine, did more than any family member of his generation to preserve our family history, we will submit herewith all the data he left us on the family of his father and paternal grandfather. That pertaining to his maternal grandparents, Simon and Mary Albert, having been a basic part of this entire genealogy, will not be included in this chapter. The wives and children and other pertinent data on John H. Ware's family will be

set out in a later chapter.

John H. Ware's Family Record

Page 1 "Malicjah Ware's Family
Jane Ware his wife
Nancy Ware daughter and she married James Young and died in Marion County, Illinois in 1828.
Sarah Ware married Matthew Young in Marion County, Illinois ***
Mahaley Ware married William Boyle***
Peggy Ware married Wiley Taylor***
Rhody Ware married John Ma----***
Alsada Ware married Jesse Da---***

"Henry Ware married Cathorine Albert and they had William and Malicijah and John H. and Louisa and M---- and Henry Ware died in Salem Mar(ion) County Illinois 3 1/2 miles South West fr-- Salem in 1843 Cathorine Ware died Arkansas clost to Fayettville in 1854.***

"Henry Ware professed religion on his death bed Cathorine professed --- seven years before she died. (Lou) is a Ware professed 6 or 7 years before (she) died and the balance of the children died small of Henry Ware's family. Only John H. Ware, and I am the only one left in this unfriendly world."

Page 8. "John H. Ware's Book of Records.

"The Alberts and Wares and Youngs and Davidsons was the first settlers of Marion County, Illinois. I will give all the names of all the connections I know. Man at head.

"Malicija Ware and Jane Duncan
1. Sons John B. Ware and Henry Ware
2. Sarah
3. Mahala
4. Rhoda
5. Nancy
6. Peggy
7. Alsada

"Sarah Matthew Young married Sarah Ware
1. John married Harriet Hamlin
2. Dave married Susanna Burge
3. William died about 1844
4. James
5. Malicijah
6. Mark
7. Oren
8. Rebecca married William Burge
9. Margaret married Newton Chance
10. Harried married Joseph Chance
11. Patsy

"William Boyle married Mahala and their (children)
1. Caroline married Dave Watson
2. Jane married William Watson
3. Ruth
4. Alsada
5. Emaline
6. Sarah
7. Thomas
8. Harrison
9. Henry
10. John
11, William

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"John Malcom married Rhoda Ware
1. Nelson married Harriet Sanders
2. Samuel married ------ Buffington
3. Henry
4. Joseph
5. Jay
6. Emaline
7. Angeline
8. Cathorine

"James Young married Nancy Ware
1. Jack Young married Betsy Wham
2. James Young Caroline Mattingly
3. Samuel married Sarah
4. Zechriah married Peggy Charlton
5. Reubin married Elizabeth Jones
6. Janey married James Albert
7. Peggy married James Charlton
8. Rhoda married James Marshall

"Wiley Taylor married Peggy Ware
1. Jane
2. Caroline
3. Cathorine
4. Alsada
5. Nancy
6. William
7. Henry
8. James
9. John

"Each Family has some dead and don't exactly know. All was alive only what I say dead in Oct. 13th (?), 1853.

Page 10 "John H. Ware's Book of Records
VERSE

"Jesse Daniels married Alsada Alsada Ware
1. John Dead
2. William Dead
3. Malicijah Dead
4. Rufus Dead in the time of the War South
5. Woodson Dead in the time of the War South
6. Sarah
7. Jane
8. Margaret

"Henry Ware married Cathorine Albert
William Dead smal
Malicijah dead small
John married Polly Ann and Jane Snodgrass
Louisa married Calvin Malcom
Mary died at 12 years old

"John B. Ware was Henry Ware's half brother and never saw him. I seen letters from him that father received when I was small. John B. lived then about the Chalk Bank in Tennessee.

"Dudley Linch and Denis Linch was Henry Ware's cousins. They lived in Plumb Point Bend Arkansas and Denis died while we lived there about 1837.

"Old Steaven Duncan was father's uncle and he was Jane Ware's grandfather and Steaven Duncan was my grandmother's brother. My

grandmother Ware was a twin sister to Moley Daniels, and she was the mother of Steaven and George and John and William and Jesse and James and Joseph and Elizabeth and Edward and Jincey Daniels making ten children and they all raised families."

CHILDREN OF HENRY WARE AND CATHERINE ALBERT

i. William died young
ii. Malicijah died young
iii. John Henry
iv. Louisa
v. Mary died young

FOURTH GENERATION - MATTHEW ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

Matthew Albert is another son of Simon and Mary Albert about whom very little is known. I have no definite information about either his birth or death. He is listed fourth among the sons of Simon Albert in the record in the possession of Mrs. Bessie Thomure. I am not sure, however, whether he was older or younger than James. I believe he was older.

Matthew Albert married Ann Sharp in Marion County, Illinois, December 16, 1860 (Marriage Book A, page 4). He had a son, William, and a daughter, whose name I have not been able to determine. The following Census is pertinent:

1840 Marion County, Illinois

Anna Albert

Males:	Females:
one 10-15	one under 5
	one 20-30

An affidavit by Ann Albert, dated June 4, 1839 and filed in Book C, page 384 states there were two children, the elder being

William, and the younger whom she did not name. She stated that her husband, Matthew Albert, had left the county two years before and that his whereabouts were unknown. Ann Albert apparently married Azel Vickery 19 April 1841 in Marion County.

We do not know what happened to Matthew Albert; or where he went, or whether he had a second family. We do know from his grandson, Henry Sherman Albert, late of Posey, Illinois and from his granddaughter, Mrs. Bertha E. Higgins, South Poplar Bluff, Missouri, that his son, William settled in Clinton County, Illinois and served in the Union forces from that County in the Civil War.

We are intrigued by the following Census Record, the data in which we have not been able to pursue:

1860 Dade County, Missouri, 269

Matthew	Albert	44	Kentucky
Emaline	"	42	Kentucky
Geo. W.	"	18	Missouri
Martha	"	15	Texas
Francis	"	13	Missouri
William	"	11	Missouri
Louisa	"	9	Missouri
Laura	"	7	Missouri

Although this man appears to be a little young for the Matthew, son of Simon Albert, his Kentucky birth in 1816 and his name makes him look like a possibility, even though he might have named a second son by a second wife, "William". I have seen other instances where this has happened. This is probably not our Matthew, but of one thing we are sure, Simon Albert was in Kentucky in 1816, and there were very few other Alberts, if any, in the state at that time. We have searched all of the Kentucky tax lists for the period and failed to find one.

KNOWN CHILD OF MATTHEW ALBERT

i. WILLIAM ALBERT

FOURTH GENERATION - JAMES ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

James Albert, son of Simon and Mary Albert, was born in Kentucky about 1815 (1850 U.S. Census, Ripley County, Missouri). He was probably born in Butler County, because his father was a taxpayer in that county at that time. He died July 2, 1853, his death data being shown in Civil War Pension File No. 170, 893; below).

James Albert married Jane Young, daughter of James Young and Nancy Ware, and granddaughter of Samuel Young. They were married in Marion County, Illinois July 1, 1834 (Marriage Book A, page 7). Jane (Young) Albert died November 9, 1875 in Missouri. She had been pensioned on the service of her son, Marion Albert, who was killed at Helena, Arkansas in the Civil War, and the date of her death and other biographical and genealogical data may be found in Civil War Pension File No. 170, 893).

Following are pertinent U.S. Census records:

1840 Marion County, Illinois

James Albert

Males	Females:
1 under 5	1 under 5
1 from 5-10	1 from 20-30
1 from 30-40	
1 from 80-90	

Revolutionary War Pensioner, SAMUEL YOUNG, 80

1850 Ripley County, Missouri

James Albert	35	Kentucky
Jane "	28	Illinois
John "	15	Illinois
Henry "	13	Illinois
Nancy "	11	Illinois
Marion "	9	Illinois
Reuben "	7	Illinois
Francis "	5	Illinois
Susan "	3	Illinois

1870 Iron County, Missouri
Post Office, Ironton

John Albert	35	Wagon Maker	Illinois
Hannah "	26	Keeping House	Saxony
JANE "	52	At Home	Illinois
Mellissa M. "	10		Missouri

In his Family Record, page 7, John H. Ware has this to say about James Albert and his family:

"James Albert, son of Simon and Mary Albert, John H. Ware's grandparents died about 1852 in Marion County, Illinois and he had married Jincey Young James Young's daughter and Aunt Nancy Ware's that married James Young and they bore children, their names was:

1. John Albert
2. Henry Albert married Elizabeth Malcom
3. James Marion was killed at Helena, Ark.
4. Reubin
5. Francis
6. Nancy Cathorine
7. Susan

It will be noted that John H. Ware was a nephew of James Albert, the latter being a brother of the former's mother, Catherine Ware (nee Albert) and also a first cousin of Jane (Young) Albert, she being a daughter of Nancy Ware, wife of James Young, and Nancy being in turn a sister of Henry Ware, who was John H. Ware's father. This seems to tell a strange story of pioneer families. Although there were few, if any, marriages between blood relatives among this particular group, there were so few families that there were wholesale marriages between members of the different families. Thus in early Marion County, Illinois three Alberts married three Youngs; two Youngs married two Wares; and one Albert married one Ware. No wonder John H. Ware said he wanted "every body who reads this to pay particular attention to

the way it has run." (John H. Ware Record, page 4) If you want to get dizzy try to figure out how some of the various offspring were related to others. It reminds us of the man who wound up by saying he was his "own grandma".

Another comment on the family, which will be brought out later, may be in order at this point. James and Jane Albert (called Jincey) had five sons all of whom were Union soldiers in the Civil War. All survived except Marion. Three of the sons left descendants, a number of whom I have met.

CHILDREN OF JAMES AND JANE ALBERT:

i. John
ii. Henry
iii. Nancy
iv. Marion
v. Reuben
vi. Francis
vii. Susan

FOURTH GENERATION - WILLIS ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

Willis, the youngest child of Simon and Mary Albert was born May 18, 1818 (Family Records, Mrs. Bessie Thomure, Bible Record of Lucinda Albert). He was born in Illinois (U.S. Census Records, below). He was probably born in Jackson County, Illinois, because his father is listed as a head of household in that County in the 1818 Illinois State Census. According to several of his grandchildren, some of whom are still living in 1973, he died in 1894 in Sandoval, Illinois and was buried in the Odin Cemetery beside his wife who predeceased him. While his wife's tombstone has been located, none has been found for him, and we have found no record of the date of his death. Mrs. Mary Miller, Granite City, Illinois and her sister, Mrs. Bessie Thomure

along with the late Mrs. Anne McLaughlin, Los Angeles, California, and the late Mr. Elmer Albert of Marion County, Illinois have given me most of the information I have on Willis Albert and his family. John H. Ware records his marriage and his children up to 1853 when Ware left Marion County for Denton County, Texas.

Willis Albert married Lucinda Burge in 1843 in Marion County, Illinois. Lucinda Burge was born February 26, 1826, in New York. SHe died October 28, 1883, in Odin, Illinois, and is buried in the Odin Cemetery (tombstone). Her mother Willie Burge, a widow, married Silas Woods and again married William Eastland (Family notes, Anne McLaughlin).

The following were given to me by Anne McLaughlin as members of the Burge family (apparently brothers and sisters, because some of them, in addition to Lucinda, apparently have descendants related to me. Besides this, Anne was so helpful to me and so fond of me that I feel obligated to preserve this record of her mother's people).

Lucinda (Burge) Albert, wife of Willis
Susanna Burge, born New York, sister of Lucinda and wife of David Young.
Louisa (Burge) Roach
Annie (Burge) Kenyon
Mary (Burge) Stillman
Minnie (Burge) Woods, wife of William Woods of Salem, Ill.
William Burge
George Burge
John Burge
Jurisa (Burge) Wheeler, Iowa

On February 18, 1969, I received a letter from two of Willis Albert's granddaughters, Mrs. Mary Miller and Mrs. Bessie M. Thomure giving me considerable data on Willis Albert and his family. In this letter they not only listed his children but gave certain biographical data. He was by occupation a farmer, fur trader, and

trapper. He was a member of the Baptist Church. He settled "in what is known as White Plains, Marion County (near Salem) Illinois. He purchased 2000 acres or a Section at twenty-five cents per acre. Here he built a log cabin on the now Centralia Reservoir.

"He was a farmer, fur trapper, and trader selling his furs at the St. Louis Trading Post on the Mississippi River bank - traveling by mule pack, fording the river. He sold his furs returning with the gold in an old coffee pot, part of his camping utensils.

"Being friendly, talkative, he made friends with the Indians, one tribe especially who swore (that) were he ever attacked by another tribe, they would wage war on them.

"With the opening of the Indian Territory he sold his land and headed for the West. With his caravan of covered wagons, span of oxon, cows, horses, dog and family they forded the Mississippi River at St. Louis making their way West via the "Pilot Knob", Missouri. Here they camped visiting Albert relatives nearby and being visited by Jesse James on several occasions.

"Jesse bargained for the horses and the dog, not obtaining either, the dog was spirited away by Jesse.

"Reaching the border of Oklahoma in the opening day Willis declared "I have enough, the Hell with it. We are returning to Illinois, and so they did.

"After many weeks of privation, sickness of the children, much deprived, they arrived at the old settling grounds in Illinois - only to start life anew.

"Lucinda Albert lived to be 57 years old, dying with consumption

October 26, 1883. After her death Willis lived with married children, spending his last years with his daughter, Lucy Cook of Sandoval, Illinois. Dying in 1894, he was buried in Odin Cemetery."

In a letter, dated July 28, 1856, Granite City, Illinois, the following extract is taken:

"They (the Willis Albert family) attended the Antioch Baptist Church out from Salem. My mother told us all records of land or family could be found in the Salem Court House, that grandfather had bought tracts of land for 25¢ an acre. She spoke of uncles and cousins who served in the Civil War. My mother was born in 1856, died 12 years ago. At the time of the opening of Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, the family left Illinois and traveled by covered wagon through Missouri, stopping at Pilot Knob to visit a sister of grandfathers and on to Oklahoma. Grandfather did not like the land and so returned to Odin to raise his family."

Two interesting points are brought up in this letter. The first is that Willis Albert took his family to the Indian Territory opening and "disliking it on opening day". It is hard to figure out what this means. The first of the various "openings" of Oklahoma Territory took place in 1899. At the time Willis Albert was quite an old man. His wife was dead, and his children were all grown. He probably went into Indian Territory (now Eastern Oklahoma) because this was the "civilized" area and white people started moving into it after the Civil War. Willis Albert appears in the 1850, 1870, and 1880 Marion County Census. He does not appear in the 1860 Census. It must have been about this time that he took his Western trip.

The letters also speak of Willis Albert stopping at Pilot Knob. John H. Ware mentions seeing his cousin, Riley Albert, there, on his way to Texas in 1853. The William Albert family was living during this period South of Pilot Knob in Reynolds County, Missouri. This is probably the Alberts that the family of Willis Albert saw.

Mary Miller's letter says that they saw one of her grandfather's sisters. This is very interesting. If it is correct, which sister was it? If it was Catherine Ware it had to be before 1853 because she died that year. I have not been able to find her in the area in the 1850 Census.

The above letters, of course, are family lore. They obviously contain a mixture of facts and fiction. They are set down as genealogy, but they may well contain leads to important genealogical facts. At any rate they give us an insight into what the family was like and talked about during the last half of the 19th century.

One of the people to whom we owe a great deal for having helped preserve family history, although she was only married into the family, was Lucinda Burge, wife of Willis Albert. She recorded the births of all members of her family in a Family Bible, a photostatic copy of which Mrs. Anne McLaughlin furnished me. The Bible Record is as follows:

Willis Albert	born	May 18, 1818
Lucinda "	"	Feb. 26, 1826
Matthew "	"	Mar. 13, 1845
William "	"	Feb. 21, 1847
Henderson "	"	Feb. 15, 1850
Ellen "	"	Aug. 18, 1852
Permelia "	"	Nov. 18, 1854
Rozilla "	"	Feb. 28, 1856
Lucy Ann "	"	Nov. 8, 1862
John Harry "	"	Oct. 22, 1865

A very rare letter containing a lot of family data was contained in a letter which Lucinda Albert wrote to John H. Ware. I think we owe it to her as well as to ourselves to reproduce it in full. The letter, which appears in John H. Ware's Family Record, at page 31, is as follows:

"Salem, Marion County

Illinois, Feb. 7, 1877

"Dear Friend, I take this opportunity of writing to you in answer to your letter to let you know that we are all well at present. We have had a great deal of sickness since last fall. You said you wanted a fall letter. I suppose you wanted to hear from all of your kin folks. We are all alive yet. John your Uncle Matthew Young and Sally and all the children are all alive as far as I know and a doing well. John and Rhody Malcom's family are alive except Augustine. I suppose you knowed Augustine was dead a long time. Sam Malcom died on Black River Missouri Call Malcom moved from Odin two years ago last fall down South then he came back last Spring He moved to Arkansas and there his second wife and his wifes oldest daughter died, then Mary wrote to her Aunt Servila that her father was at the point of death and all the rest of them after that I suppose she wrote again stating that Call was dead I don't know what has become of any of the children Frank Albert and his family and all of his wifes folks has gone to Salem, Missouri and Henry Albert is there with Frank. He went there last November. I suppose if you would write them you might find out what became of Call's children. John Albert lives in Arcadia, Missouri. Your Aunt Jincey and Nancy and Susan and her husband are all dead.

They both left two children a peace. Nancys man married Riley Albert's daughter. The last we heard from Riley he lived in Farmington, Missouri. Betty Snodgrass and all of her sons live in Salem, Illinois. Doc Young runs a blacksmith shop. Jim runs a livery stable and is constable. Eliza Snodgrass and her little girl live in Odin. Pop Evans lives on her old place and Pop Albert lived with her. Her children is all married but the two youngest Nancy Brawley and Sarah and Jim Sanders Sarah's old man was out here two years ago about now and went back in the fall. The old man Evans is dead. We are a living about 7 miles from Salem Matthew Albert lives in Tennessee. Prairie William Albert lives in Odin. Henderson lives in Salem. We have three children living with us. Willis is an old man. He has no help. Our little boy has been sick all winter with the chills. He has them yet. Willis has not tasted one drop of Whiskey in eleven years. He joined the Church and was baptized two years ago. As for myself I have been trying to do right for many years. You spoke of regeneration and I hope I have been if I deceive not myself.

Lucinda Albert - after writing so much about the kin I have no room to write any more. Only write again and I will tell you more.

Willis and Lucinda Albert

To John H. Ware and Family."

Pertinent Census data are as follows:

1850 Marion County, Illinois

Willis Albert	32	Illinois	
Lucinda "	24	New York	
Matthew "	5	Illinois	
William "	4	Illinois	
Henderson "	4/12	Illinois	
Simon "	90	Tennessee	(Penn.?)
Mary "	88	Tennessee	(Penn.?)

1870 Marion County, Illinois

Willis Albert	52	Illinois
Lucinda "	45	New York
Ellen "	17	Illinois
Arnold (sic) "	15	Illinois
Rosalie "	13	Illinois
Lucy "	7	Illinois
John H. "	4	Illinois

(Note - there was no Arnold in the family. This had to be "Permelia", a daughter.)

1880 Marion County, Illinois

Albert, Willis	64	Illinois	Penn.	Penn.
" Lucinda	54	New York	New York	New York
" Ellen	24	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois
" John	14	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois
" Lucy	19	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois

CHILDREN OF WILLIS AND LUCINDA ALBERT:

i. Matthew
ii. William Henry
iii. Henderson
iv. Ellen
v. Permelia
vi. Rozella
vii. Lucy Ann
viii. John Harvey

FOURTH GENERATION - JACOB ALBERT (Simon, Michael, William)

My great-great grandfather, Jacob Albert, oldest son of Simon and Mary Albert, was probably born about 1795. The place of his birth is not known. He is known to have lived in Butler County, Kentucky, and Washington, Jefferson and Marion Counties, Illinois. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. He died in Marion County, Illinois, about 1847.

Jacob Albert married Patsy Young in 1816. An account of this marriage is contained in the History of Marion and Clinton Counties, Illinois, by Brink-McDonough & Co., page 49. This account states

that the marriage was performed by Abia Lee, acting justice of the peace, and that it was the first marriage in what is now Marion County, Illinois. The first child born of this marriage was a girl, and she was the first white child born in the county. She was born in 1817. From family tradition, verified by census records, it is clear that this girl was Nancy Albert. It should be pointed out that the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young is also verified by John H. Ware's Family Record.

Patsy Young, wife of Jacob Albert, was probably born in Tennessee. She died in Marion County, Illinois, about 1847. She was a daughter of Samuel Young, a Revolutionary War soldier with both Pennsylvania and Virginia service. His pension file indicates he participated in the Battle of King's Mountain. According to Brink-McDonough's History of Marion and Clinton Counties, Illinois, supra, Samuel Young was the first white settler in Marion County, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF JACOB ALBERT:

i. Nancy
ii. Simon
iii. Mary
iv. Eli (twin)
v. Levi (twin)
vi. William

The following adjacent entries in the 1818 Illinois State Census show Jacob Albert living near relatives and in-laws living in Washington County, Illinois, at the time:

301	SAMUEL YOUNG	White males over 21-1,				others - 5	
302	JAMES YOUNG	"	"	"	"-1	"	-5
303	JACOB ALBERT	"	"	"	"-1	"	-3
304	WILLIAM ALBERT	"	"	"	"-1	"	-4
305	ROBERT SNODGRASS	"	"	"	"-2	"	-3

Jacob Albert appears in U.S. Census records as follows:

1820 Jefferson County, Illinois

JACOB ALBERT

Males:	1 under 10	Females:	1 under 10
	1 from 16-26		1 from 16-26

1830 Marion County, Illinois

JACOB ALBERT

Males:	2 under 5	Females:	1 under 5
	1 from 10-15		1 from 10-15
	1 from 30-40		1 from 30-40

1840 Marion County, Illinois

JACOB ALBERT

Males:	1 from 5-10	Females:	1 from 15-20
	2 from 10-15		1 from 20-30
	2 from 20-30		
	1 from 40-50		

Record of Ear Marks for the County of Marion commencing May 29th, 1823:

Page 2 June 28 Jacob Albert Mark Crop of the right ear and half crop of the left

Records Pertinent to War of 1812 - Service of Jacob Albert in the War of 1812:

Letter

"Department of the Army

"Office of the Adjutant General

Washington, 25, D.C., 11 March 1953

"Dear Mr. Albert:

"Reference is made to your personal request of 9 March 1952 for the War of 1812 Record of Jacob Albert, private, 14th Regiment (Mitchisson's), Kentucky Militia.

"The records show that Jacob Albert served in the War of 1812 as a private in Captain Robert Patterson's Company of Infantry,

14th Regiment (Mitchisson's), Kentucky Militia. His service commenced 20 November 1814 and ended 20 May 1815.

"The Company muster rolls dated 31 December 1814 and 28 February 1815 is dated at Russelville.

"Sincerely yours,
(signed) Wm. E. Bergin
Major General, U.S.A.
The Adjutant General

Butler County, Kentucky
Deed Book B, page 49
Power of Attorney

"Know all men by these presents, That, I, Jacob Albert, of Butler County and State of Kentucky, for divers good causes to me hereunto moving do nominate and appoint Oliver C. Porter of sd. County and State my attorney in fact for the purpose of drawing my pay from the paymaster of the 14th Regiment for my services while in the service of the United States under the command of Robert Patterson of Logan County, Kentucky, who was under the command of Genearl Thos. White at New Orleans, hereby authorizing my said attorney to sign the payroll for me and in my name and do all other legal acts for the purpose of drawing the same that may be necessary hereby ratifying and confirming whatsoever my said attorney may do concerning the same. In testimony of which I have hereinto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 26th day of September 1815.

Teste: Charles J. Sublett
Andrew Kuykendall (Signed) his Jacob X Albert"
Rob Morrison mark

Records of National Archives, Washington, D.C., JACOB ALBERT:

Service Record, JACOB ALBERT

"I certify that Jacob Albert was a private in Captain Robert Patterson's Company of Infantry belonging to the 14th Kentucky Regiment Kentucky Detached Militia, has faithfully performed a tour of duty of six months in said company, and is therefore HONORABLY discharged. Given under my hand at Russelville, Kentucky, the 20th day of May, 1815.

(Signed) Robert Patterson, Captain
14th Regiment, Ky.
Detached Militia"

Records from Bounty Land file, JACOB ALBERT, BI, Wt. No. 25908-80-50 (AG 15):

The following instruments are found in estate records of Marion County, Illinois, page 69 et seq:

"Guardianship of William Albert

"State of Illinois

Marion County sct.

To the people of the State of Illinois

To Simon Albert of the County and State aforesaid: whereas it has been represented to the County Court of the County of Marion that William Albert minor heir of Jacob Albert decd is entitled to property and has no guardian, and whereas we repose special trust and confidence in your ability and integrity; it is therefore ordered by the court, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint you the said Simon Albert Guardian of said minor heir with full power and authority to superintend his nutrition and education and for this use to ack demand, sue for, recove, levy and receive all and singular his money, goods,

chattels, rights, credits, and effects and do and transact for him, The said minor and all other things that the law does now, or hereafter may direct for and during his minority.

Witness James S. Martin
Clerk of the County Court
in and for the County of
Marion at his office in
Salem This 6th day of
January A D 1851.
James S. Martin, Clerk"

"State of Illinois
Marion County SS

I do solemnly swear that I will well and truly discharge all the duties required of me by law, as Guardian for William Albert minor heir of Jacob Albert decd to the best of my knowledge and abilities.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 6th day of January AD 1851
James S. Martin, Clk"

Simon Albert
(Signed)

"Know all men by these presents that we Simon Albert, Eli Albert and Joseph Malcomb of the County of Marion and State of Illinois are held and firmly bound unto the people of the State of Illinois in the penal sum of Two hundred dollars for the use of William Albert minor heir of Jacob Albert deceased for the payment of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly severally and firmly by these presents. Witness our hand and our seals this 6th day of January AD 1851.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounded Simon Albert Guardian of said minor shall faithfully discharge the office and trust of such Guardian, according to law, and shall render a fair and just account of his said Guardianship to the County Court

for the County of Marion from tire to time, as he shall be hereinafter required by said court, and comply with all the orders of said court, lawfully made, relative to the goods, chattels and monies of such minor and render and pay to such minor all monies, goods and chattels, title papers and effects which shall come to the hands or possession of such Guardian, belonging to such minor, when such minor shall be thereunto entitled or to any subsequent Guardian should such court so direct, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and

witness,
Taken, signed and sealed
before me this 6th Day of
January 1851
James S. Martin, Clk.

Simon Albert (Seal)
Eli Albert (Seal)
his X mark
Joseph Malcomb (Seal)
his X mark

The following documents appear in the Bounty Land folder on Jacob Albert in the National Archives, Washington, D.C., B1, Wt. No. 25908-08-50 (AG15):

"State of Illinois
County of Marion

"This day personally came before me the undersigned a Notary Public within and for the county of Marion, State of Illinois. Duly authorized by the laws to administer oaths for general purposes Simon Albert Guardian of William Albert a minor heir of Jacob Albert Dece'd resident of said county, and who being first duly sworn according to law, Declares that the said William Albert is the only minor heir of the said Jacob Albert Deceased who was a private in Captain Robert Patterson's Company of Infantry belonging to the 14th Regiment of Detached Kentucky Militia, in the service of the United States in the War with Great Brittain in the year 1815, that the said Jacob Albert decd was mustered into said service at _____ in the State of Kentucky

Some time on or about the first Day of December 1814 for the period of six months and was honorably discharged at Russelville in the State of Kentucky on or about the 20th day of May AD 1815, by reason of expiration of his term of service.

This said affiant further declares that the Said William Albert is now about seventeen years of age and that the said Jacob Albert left no other child under the age of twenty one. And that the mother of the said William Albert Died in the year 1847 and that the said Jacob left no Widow who is now living.

This affiant further states that he has been regularly appointed Guardian for said minor and that he has never received nor is entitled to any Military Bounty Land Warrant under any other Act of Congress and he makes these declarations for the purpose of obtaining the military bounty land for said minor to which he is entitled under the Act of Congress, passed at the last Session of Congress Sept 28th 1850.

Proof of the service above stated will appear by the muster rolls of said Company and by the Certificate of Discharge herewith presented."

(Signed) Simon Albert

"Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of March 1851 in testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and attached my scrawl by way of Seal."

(Signed) Isham N. Haynie
Notary Public for
(Scrawl) the County of Marion, Ill.

The following affidavit appears in the same file:

"State of Illinois
County of Marion SS

This day Person appeared before me the undersigned a Notary

Public in and for the County of Marion aforesaid David Young a resident of said county who being first duly sworn according to law say on oath that Jacob Albert the person described in the foregoing declaration made by Simon Albert as Guardian of William Albert departed this life some time in the year of our Lord 1817. Leaving only the said William Albert under the age of 21 years that the said William is of the age of 17 years and that the said Jacob Albert left no widow who is now living. He further states that he believes the facts to be true as stated in the foregoing Declaration of the Said Simon Albert made by him as Guardian."

"David Young (Signed)"

"Sworn to and subscribed before me a notary public on this 9th day of March 1851. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and scrawl by way of Seal.

(Scrawl)

Isham N. Haynie
Notary Public for
the County of Marion, Ill."

"Salem, Illinois, Mar. 20, 51

"Sir, Enclosed please find the application of Simon Albert, Guardian of William Albert a minor of Jacob Albert for a land warrant. I enclose a letter of guardianship to prove the fact that Simon Albert is guardian, also a certificate that I am notary public the affidavit and declaration having been made before me as such - this Certificate I trust will be sufficient for the present and future reference to prove that fact in your office or department.

I was a Lt in Cams C 1st Regt. Ill Vol Comd by EWB Newly and made my application for land last October but have had no word from

it. Will you be kind enough to inform me if it is on file, and if so whether and when the Warrant may be expected.

Yours

I.N. Haney"

"Warrant 25,908 Issd Jany 6/52***
Sent to I.N. Haynie, Salem, Illinois."

The warrant was sold by Simon Albert, Guardian of William Albert to Isham N. Haynie and covered 80 acres of land described as the East Half of Southwest Quarter of Section 35 in Township two North of Range two East in the district of lands subject to sale at the Land Office at Vandalia, Illinois. The instrument of assignment reads as follows: "For value received of him I Simon Albert Guardian of William Albert minor heir of Jacob Albert Deceased to whom the within warrant No. 25908 was issued do hereby sell and assign unto Isham N. Haynie of Marion County, Ill. and to his heirs and assigns forever the said Warrant and authorize him to locate the same and receive a plot therefor.

Witness my hand and seal this the 5th day of August AD 1852

Simon Albert (Signed)
Guardian (Seal)

Attest
John Ware (Signed)
T.F. Houts "(Signed)"

It should be noted that the dates make it quite clear that Simon Albert, Guardian of William, was the latter's brother. The older Simon Albert, father of Jacob, was dead before the 1852 assignement was made. Names of William Albert's other relatives appear, to wit in these various papers, to wit his brother, Eli, and his cousins,

David Young and John Ware. The latter's Family Record discloses that he and William Albert went to Texas in 1853 and that the latter died there during "the War South."

The 14th Kentucky Detached Militia was recruited to take part in General Jackson's New Orleans Campaign. A small part of the Regiment took part in the Battle of New Orleans, but there is, so far as I know, not any record of the names of the soldiers who participated in the fighting. Jacob Albert's service record indicates that his regiment was stationed at Camp Jackson from January 1 to February 28, 1815.

John H. Ware in his Family Record gives us a complete list of Jacob Albert's children on page 6 of his manuscript. Speaking of the children of Simon and Mary Albert he said:

"Jacob Albert was the oldest of the boys he died in 1846 in Marion County, Illinois and he had married Patsy Young a sister of James and Matthew Young and their children was Simon, Nancy, and Polly, and Ely and Levi twins and William their youngest and he moved with John H. Ware to Texas and married Mary (Casady) (sic) (should be Gassiway) and died at the time of the war."

Although Ware lists Simon first, Nancy was, as we have pointed out, the oldest of Jacob's children. Otherwise the Ware listing seems to be in accordance with age.

The two documents, Jacob Albert's Bounty Land Warrant and War of 1812 Records and the John H. Ware Record are priceless links in the whole biography and genealogy of the Simon Albert, Sr. family. They tie their residences down in Kentucky and Illinois and establish the basic identity of the family for the period beginning in the 1790's until we are able to take over from modern records.

The basic consistency between the Ware and Bounty Land Records of Jacob Albert is remarkable. The only inconsistency between the two records at all is that the court records and Bounty Land proceedings indicate that both Jacob and Patsy Young died in 1847, whereas John Ware says they both died in 1846. While the former is probably correct, the difference is insignificant.

The fact that both records indicate they both died the same year suggests that they may have been victims of a contageous disease or even of an accident of foul play, probably the former.

It appears that Jacob may have died first. The Court proceedings held in 1851 state that he left no "widow now living". This indicates he did have a widow when he died in 1846 or 1847.

There is some ambiguity in the guardianship proceedings which indicate that Jacob Albert died leaving only one heir, William ("now '7 years of age") under 21. This was written in 1951 and had to have reference to the fact that none of Jacob's children, except William, was under 21 when the application for bounty land was made in January 1851. Eli and Levi were over 21 then but were born in 1828 and had to be less than 21 when Jacob Albert died. The point is that only those who were minors at the time the statute conferring bounty land rights were enacted were eligible to apply.

CHILDREN OF JACOB ALBERT:

i. Nancy +
ii. Simon (Sometimes referred to as Simon, Jr.)+
iii. Mary +
iv. Eli (twin)+
v. Levi (twin)+
vi. William +

FIFTH GENERATION - NANCY ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Nancy Albert, oldest child of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young, was apparently born in 1817 (1850 U.S. Census) in what is now Marion County, Illinois. According to her granddaughter, Mrs. Mary (Sanders) Hedrick, she died at the home of her daughter, Sarah Sanders, on Logan Creek in Reynolds County, Missouri in the 1890's.

In 1961 I interviewed Mary Hedrick in Ellington, Missouri. She advised that she was born in 1879. She well remembered her grandmother and stated that her grandmother (nee Nancy Albert) had black eyes and black hair that turned gray in her old age. Nancy lived with Mary Hedrick's mother, Sarah Sanders, daughter of Nancy, much of the time. She was tall and somewhat slender. Mrs. Hedrick could remember her grandmother's death but was not too sure about the date.

Nancy Albert married twice. First, she married William Gov. Brawley in Marion County, Illinois August 10, 1839 (Book A, page 12). This marriage ended in a divorce. Second, she married Robert Craig in Marion County, Illinois, July 19, 1857. She went by her maiden name of Nancy Albert after divorcing William Gov. Brawley. I am not sure what happened to her second husband. Her granddaughter, Mary Hedrick, remembers nothing about him but she was a widow or divorcee later in life and again went by the name of Albert (Mary Hedrick letter).

Nancy Albert had the honor of being the first white child born in what is now Marion County, Illinois. This is a part of our pioneer family tradition, and it is substantiated by Brinkerhoff's History of Marion County, Illinois, page 163:

"The first marriage in the Township (Salem) was Samuel Young's

daughter, Patsy, to Jacob Albert, a soldier of the Second War with Great Britain. Abia Lee, a justice of the peace, performed the ceremony. This wedding was in 1816. The first child born was a daughter of this couple ***"

The following census record further substantiates the tradition:

1850 Marion County, Illinois

350-8	Levi Albert	20	Laborer	Illinois
	Nancy "	33		Illinois
	Mary "	10		Missouri
	Sarah "	7		Illinois

William Gov. Brawley was born December 30, 1821. He died February 24, 1888. After divorcing his wife Nancy he married Brilly Davis, who was born June 30, 1830, and died March 6, 1882. By his second marriage he had five sons, Jim, John, Lige, Govvy, and Sam, and one daughter, Jane. The Family Bible containing this data is in the possession of Mrs. Fanny Myers of Ellington, Missouri, a daughter of Sam Brawley. In an oral interview in 1958 Mrs. Myers told me that William G. (called Gov.) Brawley lived on Blair's Creek about eighteen miles West of Emminence, Missouri. Jane married Joe Conaway; Lige lived near Emminence; John lived on Black River and married Tilly Babb; Jim lived near Blair's Creek; and Govvy lived on Logan Creek.

1860 Marion County, Illinois Census

page 907

Obediah Evans	46	Farmer	Tennessee
Mary "	32		Illinois
Nancy Craig	43		Illinois
Mary "	19		Illinois
Franklin "	8		Illinois

It is difficult to piece together the meagre information I have found on Nancy Albert. It seem clear from the above that she was no longer with her husband, Robert Craig, but she and two of her children were still using her husband's name in 1860.

It is not clear whether Franklin was a son or a step-son of Nancy. He was certainly born before her marriage to Robert Craig. Mary Hedrick has no recollection of either a son, Franklin, or a daughter, Mary. It may be that they died or left their mother before Mrs. Hedrick was born. However, other relatives do have recollection that there was a son, called Frank. Mary, who was listed as ten years old in the 1850 Marion County Census was apparently a daughter of Nancy and William Gov. Brawley.

According to Mary Hedrick, William Gov. and Nancy Brawley lived for a time on Blair's Creek in Shannon County, Missouri. After her separation Nancy went back to her people in Marion County, Illinois. She was living with her brother Levi in 1850 as shown by the census for that county for that year.

In a letter dated March 22, 1962, Louise Johnson of Springfield, Illinois, stated that her mother, Mrs. Anna (Craig) Johnson, a grand niece of Nancy Albert tells the following story:

"I recall my mother, Martha Ellen (Albert) Craig, talking of Aunt Nancy Brawley who was married to Gov. Brawley and later widowed. She was left alone with a daughter, Sarah. I later recall mention of a son, Frank. I was told how Aunt Nancy Brawley returned to Illinois from some place in Missouri with her two children, Sarah and Frank, and with what belongings she could carry along with the two children on horseback. The story was told about how she walked most of the way,

leading the horses until her feet were so badly blistered that by the time she reached the home of her oldest brother, Simon, she was unable to walk again for several days.

It appears that later on Gov Brawley went back to get his daughter, Sarah. I have the following in a letter from Mary Hedrick, dated June 5, 1961: "My grandmother went to Illinois after her divorce, taking my mother (Sarah) with her, the latter being eight years old. Grandfather later went on horseback to Illinois to get my mother."

I have not been able to find Nancy (Albert) (Brawley) Craig in any census after 1860. Nor have I been able to learn what became of her apparent children, Mary and Franklin.

CHILDREN OF NANCY ALBERT

i. Mary?
ii. Sarah Brawley +
iii. Franklin ?

FIFTH GENERATION - SIMON ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Simon Albert, oldest son of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young, was named after his paternal grandfather and was sometimes referred to as Simon, Jr. He was born July 1, 1818 near Salem, Marion County, Illinois (Family Records). He died in Marion County, Illinois, July 14, 1857 (Letters of Administration, estate of Simon Albert deceased, Marion County, Illinois,)(Book B. pages 299-300). He was buried in the Mt. Moriah Cemetery in Marion County.

Basic data on Simon Albert may be found in the DAR file of his granddaughter, Margaret May Kell, descendant of Samuel Young, Revolutionary War soldier.

Marion County, Illinois Marriage Records A, page 15, show that

on August 22, 1841, Simon Albert, Jr. was married to Miss Mary Malcolm by Alfred Ray, J.P. According to Mrs. Anna (Craig) Johnson of Springfield, Illinois, granddaughter of Simon and Mary (Malcolm) Albert the latter was born November 25, 1824. She died March 26, 1896 and was buried in Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

Simon Albert and his family appear in Marion County, Illinois Census records as follows:

1850 Marion County Census

Simon Albert	31	Farmer	Illinois
Mary "	25		Tennessee
James "	7		Illinois
John "	5		Illinois
Emily "	4		Illinois
Joseph "	1		Illinois

1860 Marion County Census

Mary Albert	36	Tennessee
James "	18	Illinois
John "	16	Illinois
Marie "	14	Illinois
Joseph "	12	Illinois
Andrew "	10	Illinois
Matthew ? "	5	Illinois
Allen "	3	Illinois

1870 Marion County Census

Mary Albert	40	Illinois
Martha "	13	Illinois
Allen "	11	Illinois

1880 Marion County Census

Mary Albert	55	Tennessee
Martha "	22	Tennessee
Allen "	21	Tennessee

The data on the family of Simon and Mary (Malcolm) Albert were furnished me by various of their grandchildren from family records and from memory as follows: Mrs. Charles Hickey, 14501

Ashland, Harvey, Illinois; Mrs. Anna (Craig) Johnson, 312 West Jackson, Springfield, Illinois; Mrs. Myrtle O'Brien, Salem, Illinois; Mrs. Margaret Kell, 448 Harrison Street, Gary, Indiana; Mrs. Sarah Williams, R.F.D. 2, Salem, Illinois; Mrs. Ella Mercer, Gresham, Oregon; Mrs. Sam Donoho, Kell, Illinois; and John Albert, R.F.D. 4, Salem, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF SIMON AND MARY ALBERT:

i. James Addison Albert +
ii. John Albert +
iii. Maria Emily Albert +
iv. Joseph Eli Albert +
v. William Andrew Albert +
vi. Louis Levi Albert died very young
vii. Martha Ellen Albert +
viii. Simon Allen Albert +

FIFTH GENERATION - MARY ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Little information has been found on Mary Albert, daughter of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young. She was generally called Polly or Pop. Her date of birth is not known, and Census records show wide discrepancies. John H. Ware in his Family Record lists her third, and this is probably correct. The 1880 Census record for Reynolds County, Missouri shows her to have been born in 1825, which must be about right. The twins, Eli and Levi, were born in 1828, and she appears to have been older than they. It is known that she was more than twenty-one years of age in 1851, because the bounty land proceedings show her brother, William, to have been the only one under twenty-one at the time. Her grand-niece, Mrs. Mary Ann Hedrick of Ellington, Missouri, who remembers her believes she died in Reynolds County, Missouri about 1900.

According to John H. Ware, "She married Obediah Evans and had been married to John Moore, the fortian (sic) teller". These marriages are both found in Marion County, Illinois records as follows:

First, she married John L. Moore, Oct. 26, 1846 (Book B, page 19). Second, Mary Moore married Obediah Evans Sept. 13, 1857 (Book C, page 170).

She appears to have had no children.

Census Records

1860 Marion County, Illinois

Obediah Evans	46	Farmer	Tennessee
Mary "	32		Illinois
Nancy Craig	43		Illinois
Mary "	19		Illinois
Franklin "	8		Illinois

1870 Marion County, Illinois

Obediah Evans	81	Farmer	Illinois
Mary "	35		Illinois

1880 Reynolds County, Missouri

Jackson Township				
Polly Patterson	67	Tenn	N.C.	N.C.
Mary Evans	35	Ill.	Ill.	Ill.

According to Mrs. Mary Ann Hedrick, Mary Evans was short and stocky, had grey eyes and black hair that turned gray in her old age. She was apparently named after her paternal grandmother.

Obediah Evans died leaving a will in which he gave his estate to his wife, Mary, as long as she should remain a widow. His will was probated in Marion County, Illinois, his real estate being listed as E 1/2 of N.E. 1/4, Sec. 26, T2N, R2E, and N.W. 1/4 of S.E. 1/4, Sec. 26, T2n, R2E.

In John H. Ware's Family Record appears a copy of a letter written by Lucinda Albert in 1877 showing Mary Evans to have been living on her land in Marion County at that time. Mary Albert, widow of Simon, Jr.,

was living with her. The two Marys were sisters-in-law.

FIFTH GENERATION - ELI ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Eli Albert, my great grandfather, son of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young was born in Marion County, Illinois July 11, 1828. He died July 9, 1906 in Wilburton, Indian Territory (now Oklahoma) and was buried in the Wilburton City Cemetery. He was a twin brother of Levi Albert.

Eli Albert married twice. First, he married Sophia Vaughn (nee Chaffin) on September 16, 1848 in Clinton County, Illinois. Second, he married Mrs. Lucy Ann Koen in Hartshorne, Indian Territory, on August 30, 1896. Eli Albert had three children, all by his first wife, and all born in Marion County, Illinois. The oldest, Julia Anna, was born August 2, 1851. Granville, my grandfather, was born February 6, 1854; and George Washington, always known simply as George, was born August 3, 1856.

Sophia Chaffin, my great grandmother and daughter of Elias and Nancy (Meador) Chaffin, married twice before she married Eli Albert. First she married William Wilburn, October 8, 1840 in Marion County, Illinois, by whom she had one daughter, Elizabeth. Second, she married Urias Vaughn, February 10, 1844 in Marion County, Illinois, by whom she had two daughters, Cynthia and Mahulda Ann. Full data on Sophia Chaffin and her descendants by her three husbands is contained in "A Genealogy of Abner Chaffin of Jackson County, Tennessee", compiled by Carl Bert Albert, Encil A. Chaffin, Leonard B. Chaffin, and Olive Chaffin Peterson, and copies of it are on file in many genealogical

libraries.

The name of Eli Albert has been found by the author in a vast number of public records, and his search has been considerably less than exhaustive. These records together with family data, make it virtually possible to trace the footsteps of this unlettered pioneer from the cradle to the grave. John H. Ware's Family Record is by far the most important contemporary family document. Ware and Eli Albert were first cousins, both born in Marion County, Illinois in 1828, and were neighbors a good part of their lives. I have supplemented Ware's data with scores of letters and interviews of descendants and collateral relatives of Eli Albert who knew him in his life time. Added to all this are numerous conversations about him which I have had with my father, Ernest Homer Albert, and my grandfather, Granville Albert and many others from my earliest days. After all, he died less than two years before I was born and his life and character were still very much a part of my own life. I remember my grandmother Albert giving me a picture of him when I was in high school. This picture was accidentally destroyed while I was away at college. I have tried repeatedly without success to replace it. I can still see it in my mind, and I only wish I had the artistic talent to reproduce it as I remember it. I would give a thousand dollars if I would find a copy of it or another authentic picture of him while there are still people living who remember him. From my earliest childhood I have been keenly interested in my family history, but the loss of my great grandfather's picture has probably done more than anything else to spur that interest.

Proof of the birth and death dates of Eli Albert may be found on his tombstone. His grave is in the City Cemetery of Wilburton, Latimer County, Oklahoma, which is southwest of town and almost directly south of Eastern Oklahoma State College. The grave is located 36 steps south of the north fence line of the cemetery and about 60 steps east of the west fence line, as the cemetery was fenced in on December 12, 1953, which was the day I found the grave. It is the first tombstone east of the stone of Irene Wilson and about twenty feet from it and the first stone south of the stone of Robert Gibb, and about fifteen feet from it.

The base of the stone contains the name ALBERT on the front, and the following poem on the side:

"The golden gates were opened wide,
A gentle voice said come,
An angel from the other side
Welcomed our loved one home."

The stone proper contains the following:

"Ely", beloved husband of
L.A. Albert
Born July 11, 1828
Died July 9, 1906

The identical birth date for Eli Albert is shown on page 6 of John H. Ware's Family Record. The month and year of his birth are also confirmed by the 1900 Census for Carroll County, Arkansas and by an application for a Civil War pension made by Eli Albert at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, September 15, 1903 (Records of Veterans Administration, Eli Albert SO 1042886, National Archives, Washington D.C.).

Numerous public records, including census records, show Eli

Albert to have been born in Illinois. The only documentary proof that he was born in Marion County is contained in the Civil War enlistment record of his twin brother, Levi, although family members have uniformly recalled that he claimed Marion County for his birth place, and this is certainly consistent with all the public records we have found on the Albert family during the period in which he was born. Several of his older descendants remembered that he was a twin and John H. Ware, in his Family Record, page 6, lists Eli and Levi as "twins".

The enlistment certificate for Levi Albert at Perry County, Missouri, August 29, 1862, states in part, "I, Levi Albert, born in Marion County, in the State of Illinois, aged Thirty three years, by occupation a farmer***."

The 1830 Census record for Jacob Albert further shows that Eli's parents were living in Marion County two years after his birth.

1830 Marion County, Illinois

JACOB ALBERT

two under 5	one under 5
one 10-15	one 10-15
one 30-40	one 30-40

The two males "under 5" were most certainly the twins, Eli and Levi.

1840 Marion County, Illinois

JACOB ALBERT

one 5-10	one 15-20
two 10-15	one 20-30
two 20-30	one 30-40
one 40-50	

Again, the males, ages "10-15" must have been the twins. They would have been about twelve years old at the time.

The Marion County, Illinois Record of Ear Marks shows "Walter Farr living in the Albert Settlement 7 miles West of Salem *** recorded April 29, 1929 (underscoring supplied. This entry made less than ten months after the birth of Eli Albert may well pinpoint the locale of his birth. This seems to have put it somewhere in the vicinity of the present town of Odin, Illinois.

The Certificate of the first marriage of Eli Albert is on file in the office of the County Clerk of Clinton County, Illinois, in the city of Carbyle, and shows that Eli Albert was married to Sophia Vaughn in said county on the 18th day of September 1848 by I. M. Webster, a justice of the peace.

The record of the second marriage of Eli Albert is contained in Book 7, page 38, of the Marriage Records of Pittsburg County, Oklahoma, in the County Court House at McAlester, Oklahoma, and shows that Eli Albert, Hartshorne, Indian Territory, age 68, was married to Mrs. L. A. Koen, Hartshorne, Indian Territory, age 60, on August 30, 1896 by C. A. Heathcock, Minister.

After the death of Eli Albert, his widow, Lucy Ann Albert, married W. M. Tucker, age 72, Wilburton, Oklahoma. A record of the marriage license is on file in the office of the Court Clerk of Latimer County, Oklahoma.

Having thus listed the basic documentary data relating to the birth, marriage, and death of Eli Albert, we shall now undertake to follow his life through his seventy-four years on earth as shown by

public records and as remembered by some of those who knew him.

Ira Albert, son of George and grandson of Eli Albert, lived with the latter for several years after his second marriage. In an interview in 1953 Ira told me that his grandfather told him that when he grew up in Marion County, it was still a real frontier. Bear, deer, and other wild game were abundant during the days of his boyhood and youth. Eli Albert never had the opportunity of attending school a day in his life. In those days literacy was a luxury few could afford in the rural areas of Southern Illinois. Eli Albert never learned to read and write. He always signed his name with an "X" but, according to Ira Albert, he "was real good with figures."

According to John H. Ware, in his Family Record, Eli Albert's parents both died in 1846. We have seen in the chapter on Jacob Albert that the latter's bounty land file put the year at 1847. The latter should be superior evidence. Ira Albert's memory, based on what his grandfather told him was consistent with either of these dates. He quotes Eli as saying, "My parents both died before I was of age. I was on my own. So I decided to get married, and I did." Comparison of his birth and marriage dates of record indicates that he married when we was twenty years old.

The Clinton County marriage certificate of Eli Albert, dated September 18, 1848, is the earliest document I have found bearing his name. Although he married in Clinton County, he was probably living in adjacent Marion County at the time. His name first appears in a record of Marion County in the 1850 U.S. Census as follows:

1850 Marion County, Illinois

Eli Albert	21	Farmer	Illinois
Sophia "	24		Tennessee
Elizabeth Milburn	6		Illinois
Lucinda Vaughn	4		Illinois
Hulda "	2		Illinois

This census record is erroneous in at least two particulars. Elizabeth's name was "Wilburn" not "Milburn" (Marriage Record of William Wilburn and Sophia Chaffin, October 9, 1840, Marion County, Illinois: also statement given me in 1953 by Thomas Russell Scholes, son of marriage of Elizabeth Wilburn and Reuben Scholes). The name "Lucinda" Vaughn is incorrect; it should be "Cynthia" Vaughn. (See Bounty Land File, War with Mexico, Urias Vaughn, MC1169H Veterans Pension Files, National Archives, Washington, D. C.)

In the chapter on Jacob Albert on January 6, 1851, in Marion County, Illinois, Eli signed as a bondsman for his oldest brother Simon who had been appointed guardian of his youngest brother, William. (Estate Records, Marion County, Illinois, page 69). We know that on August 2, 1851 (tombstone), Eli's oldest child Julia Anna was born in Illinois. Family tradition puts her birth in Marion County, which must be correct because her father is known to have been living there shortly before and after her birth.

On February 6, 1854, Granville Albert, second child of Eli Albert was born in Marion County, Illinois (Granville and Mary Jane Albert's Family Bible in possession of Carl Bert Albert, author of this genealogy). We find Eli Albert again in Marion County in the same year. On May 27, Eli Albert and his wife, Sophia Albert, executed an affidavit, on behalf of the minor children of Urias Vaughn, late husband of Sophia

Albert (Records of Veterans Administration Pension Files, Mexican War File of Urias Vaughn, MC11694, National Archives, Washington, D.C.)

On August 3, 1856, Eli's last child, George Washington, was born in Marion County, Illinois. This data was given me by Ira Albert, son of George Washington. The state, month, and year of birth are also coroborated by the 1900 Census for Carroll County, Arkansas.

On February 23, 1857 Eli Albert purchased from Green L. Chitwood, for Two Hundred Dollars, the following tract of land in Marion County, Illinois.

> Northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 1 East of Third Principal Meridian (Deed Book M, page 554).

This land is located in Carrigan Township, Marion County, and is probably the last tract ever farmed by Eli Albert in Marion County. Green L. Chitwood's wife, Ruth, was a sister of Sophia Albert. So this was a family transaction. On October 2, 1857, Eli and Sophia Albert sold the same tract back to Green Chitwood for $400.00 on October 2, 1857 (Deed Book N, page 534).

In a Marion County Atlas and Plot book dated 1973 this tract is listed as then being the property of Dale Snider.

My grandfather, Granville Albert told me his parents left Illinois for Southwest Missouri when he was about four years old. The exact date of the move is not known, but the above deed may throw light on the subject. It was probably shortly after this sale that Eli Albert, taking his wife, children, and step-daughters, packed his earthly goods in a wagon and, leaving Marion County behind, took up his home in the Ozark country of Southwestern Missouri where he spent

most of his remaining years. The Four Hundred Dollar sale probably financed the move and gave him his start in Missouri. At any rate, by 1860 Eli Albert and his family were living in Granby Township, Newton County, Missouri. His wife's oldest daughter, Elizabeth, and her husband, Reuben Scholes, were living nereby. The following census record is pertinent:

1860 Newton County, Missouri

Granby Township Post Office Granby

987	Eli Albert	26	Farmer	Illinois
	Sophia "	36		Tennessee
	Huldah "	13		Illinois
	Julia "	10		Illinois
	Granville "	6		Illinois
	George "	2		Illinois
988	Reuben Schols (sic)	22		Illinois
	Elizabeth "	17		Illinois

While Eli Albert spent most of his adult life in or near Southwestern Missouri, he obviously moved around considerably. It has been said that the pioneer is half Gypsy. From all available records and from the recollections of his grandchildren, Eli Albert was no exception. After he left Illinois the census taker never caught him twice in the same place.

By August 12, 1862, Eli Albert had probably moved to Lawrence County, Missouri, for on that date he enlisted in Lawrence County as a private in Company A, 76th Regiment, Enrolled Missouri Militia. Witness the following certificate furnished me on 8 March 1954 by the Office of the Adjutant General, State of Missouri, Jefferson City, Missouri:

"It is hereby certified that, according to the records of this

office, Eli Albert, Civil War Union Forces, enrolled August 12, 1862 in Company A, 76th Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia, at Mount Vernon, Missouri, by Captain Roper.

Rank: Private

Ordered into active service August 19, 1862, at Mount Vernon, Missouri, by General Brown. Relieved from duty, March 31, 1863, by General Holland.

Number of days in actual service, 60."

Eli Albert made several attempts over a period of years to obtain a pension (Civil War Pension File, Eli Albert SO 1042 886-RG15). His applications were rejected on the ground that "the organization in which he served was a state organization and not in the military service of the United States as shown by the records of the War Department." Although he was never able to obtain a pension, his various applications furnish invaluable biographical data.

While he was credited with only sixty days service, he stated in his pension file that he served off and on during the Civil War over a period of three years between Lexington and Kansas City. My grandfather said that during one year of the War his mother and the children made a crop while his father was in the service. Ira Albert told me that his grandfather often talked about the Civil War, that he was engaged in a lot of fighting and that the company was harassed repeatedly by "bushwhackers".

In 1864 during Price's Raid he and his family were in Johnson County, Missouri near Knobnoster. Whether he was in the service there or was there with other Union Veterans for protection does not appear

from the records (Civil War Pension File, William Norman, No. 190, 307). He was discharged at Warrensburg, Missouri.

While Eli and Sophia Albert were living in Knobnoster, their future son-in-law, William Norman, also a Union Veteran, boarded with them. The William Norman pension file, above mentioned, contains considerable data on Eli and Sophia Albert.

After the War, late in 1865, Eli Albert moved with his family to Stone's Prairie, Barry County, Missouri, where he lived until 1871. During most of this time he and his family lived within two hundred yards of his son-in-law, William Norman (William Norman, pension file). He also lived close to his stepdaughter, Hulda, and her husband, Charles Gillman, who was likewise a Union Civil War Veteran. The following census records are pertinent:

1870 Barry County, Missouri

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Copps Creek Township Post Office, Cassville, Missouri

158	Norman, William	29	Farmer	Tennessee
	" Julia A.	19		Illinois
	" Charles	5		Missouri
	" Henry	2		Missouri
159	Gillman, Charles	25		Illinois
	" Hulda	24		Illinois
	" Florence	2		Illinois
	" Eva	4		Illinois
160	Albert, Eli	45	Farmer	Illinois
	" Sophia	46		Tennessee
	" Granville	16		Illinois
	" George	13		Illinois

In an affidavit given at Vinita, Indian Territory, December 5, 1891 by Eli Albert on behalf of his son-in-law, William Norman, and found in the latter's pension file, the former summarized his

recollections about his activities over a period of twenty-seven years following the latter part of the Civil War. In this affidavit he said in part:

"Eli Albert, aged 63, a resident of Vinita, Indian Territory, has been well and personally acquainted with William Norman for 27 years or since on or about the 1 of August 1864***. I further state that I engaged William Norman in Sept. 1864 to help me load hay on a wagon but he could not see how to do it and had to quit. I further state that during Price's Raid in 1864 I saw William Norman and he was so blind that he had to hire a man to lead him home. In 1866 I lived within 200 yards of William Norman***. He lived that near to me 1866, 67, 68, 69, and 70 *** and from there we all moved to Kansas and I was personally well-acquainted with him and lived near him until 1877. Afterward William Norman lived in one mile of me in Elk County, Kansas until 1880 after that I did not see William Norman until 1881 then I moved to Rocky Comfort, Missouri where William Norman lived and I lived by him one year and have seen him once a year since then***."

With slight errors in dates in parts of the above affidavit, Eli Albert's statements may for the most part be substantiated by more direct documentary proof. It appears that Eli Albert was still living in Barry County, Missouri until April 4, 1871, when one of his affidavits indicates he was living in Rocky Comfort, McDonald County, Missouri. In 1872 he and his family and many of his in-laws moved to Cowley County, Kansas where they lived for two or three years (William Norman's pension file). From there they moved to Howard County (later Elk County), Kansas. They were known to be living in that area on

July 2, 1874 because his oldest son, Granville Albert, was married in Elk Falls, Kansas on that date. He was probably still in that area on June 5, 1875, because Granville's oldest daughter, Alice May Albert, was born in Chatauqua County, Kansas on that date.

One thing we have to keep in mind about Eli Albert was that he went lots of places on short notice and often took off and visited friends or relatives or went on quick business trips. His step-grandson, Joseph A. Gillman once told me: "Grandpa could disappear and go places as no one else he knew in the old days. He could go from Barry County to Kansas City and be back before you knew it."

At any rate we know that Eli Albert was back in Rocky Comfort Missouri on 24 September 1875. John H. Ware, in an entry in his Family Record on that date said, "Ely Albert taken dinner with me. He lived in Kansas and was out on a visit and Sophia his wife was taken sick at Charley Gillman's."

John H. Ware also gives us a more accurate account of the time when Eli Albert moved back to Rocky Comfort, Missouri from Kansas than the latter gave in his affidavit for William Norman. On page 41 of his Family Record, Ware states, "The 26th Day of December 1878 Ely Albert moved to Rocky Comfort***." Also, on page 42, he tells us, "Granville Albert moved into Rocky Comfort. It is so cold that business is nearly all suspended and our Rocky mill froze up although it ainte stopped our prare meeting. According to Ely Albert's request we will have prare meeting at his house next Sunday evening at early candle light. When we first commenced all that would offer up prare

was Brother L. Clark and William Norman and my self **."

William Norman's Civil War pension file (supra) contains an affidavit dated December 12, 1878 at Rocky Comfort, Missouri. This was undoubtedly given just before Eli Albert moved to Rocky Comfort and while he was there visiting the Norman family.

The following census record shows Eli Albert in Rocky Comfort in 1880:

1880 McDonald County, Missouri

1 June 1880, Rocky Comfort, Missouri

220-232	Albert, Eli	53	Landlord	Ill.	----	----
	" Sophia	56	Landlady	Tenn.	Tenn.	Va.
	Foster, John	26	Druggist, boarder			
220-233	Albert, Granville	26	Hostler	Ill.	Ill.	Tenn.
	" Mollie	21	Housekeeper	Ky.	Ky.	Ky.
	" Alice	5	Daughter	Kans.	Ill.	Ky.

On moving to Rocky Comfort, this census confirms the fact that he bought and ran a hotel in that town. His son, Granville, worked for him as a hostler. The building, somewhat enlarged, was still standing when Joseph A. Gillman showed it to me in 1954. During this period, according to Joseph A. Gillman, Eli Albert also promoted a development at Seven Starr Springs, Missouri, which made him some money. Barry County deed records show a number of land transactions by him in the area.

John H. Ware's record, page 53, contains the following account under date of 26 May 1880: "This day we landed back from the Hodo(?) Springs 12 miles South of Rocky Comfort and we explored the bar (sic) cave yesterday and the general belief is that it is as good as Eureka. This Spring has seven holes in the rock supposed to be cut

by the Indians. Our crowd consisted of A. J. Boswell, Frank Northcutt, Surveyor, Ely Albert, Teamster, Bill Norman, Preacher, and John H. Ware, Guide."

Prior to this on page 51, John H. Ware, while not mentioning Eli Albert, told of a family gathering at Ware's home in which he listed a host of Eli Albert's relatives including his wife, Sophia Albert. The record reads as follows: "This the 12th day of November 1879. Doc Mason came from the Spring on Sunday the 9th of November 1879 and Marge came with him and Louisa the baby and Martha. Their children was with them, and Nancy Snodgrass and Magie Snodgrass came in from Kansas, and we all had the pleasure of meeting once more and Sophia Albert was with us all at the same time. Margret Mason was blind and couldent see a wink. Margaret Snodgrass was Riley Snodgrasses daughter. Nancy Snodgrass was John Snodgrasses wife, Billy Schoulings daughter, and John Snodgrass was Jane Wares brother. i am writing this when Do--- and Nan and Sophia are talking and i caint hardly rite. El Nathan Ware is present But Liz and Laura is in Texas but Nath is looking for her. i wish she was here to take a hand in our talk. Louisa Cathorine Ware is putting in her jaw and July and Elen is doing their part. They is quite a little crowd of us. Jack Snodgrass is present. Now i will give the names of all present that is well, as i dont ever expect that we will ever meet again on this Green Earth Now to the names James B. Mason Margaret Mason Martha Mason Louisa Mason Nancy Ann Snodgrass, Margret Ann Snodgrass, Jackson Snodgrass, Sophia Albert, Elnathan Ware, John H. Ware Sr., Jane Ware, Louisa Cathorine Ware, July Ann Ware, Elen Ware, John H. Ware Jr.,

Clarrinda Ware, Mary Cathorine Ware, Albert James Ware, Samuel Snodgrass, James Snodgrass."

Eli and Sophia Albert both gave affidavits for the latter's sister, Emily Porter of Galloway, Green County, Missouri, on September 3, 1884, stating that their address at that time was Star, Barry County, Missouri. (Bounty Land Warrant File, James Porter, Co. E, 1st Dragoons, 1st Regiment, U.S. Cavalry, Mexican War).

According to his grand-daughter, Alice May Boatwright (nee Albert), along with his sons and son-in-law and their families, Eli Albert went out to Western Kansas about 1884 or 1885 and crossed over to what was known as "No Man's Land" (now the Oklahoma Panhandle), where they "staked out claims." They were in and around Englewood and Cash City until about 1887. They were in Harper City, Kansas in 1888, where according to Alice M. Boatwright, "I was in school for a year and used to read their New Testament to grandma and grandpa Albert. I couldn't read well myself, but they couldn't read at all." They moved back to Barry County, Missouri about 1889. They both gave affidavits for Emily Porter on August 21, 1899 stating that they were residents of Barry County, Missouri at the time. In 1954 Joseph A. Gillman took me by the house in which they were living at that time. It was still standing and was not far from Cassville, Missouri. This was the house in which Sophia Chaffin died either in late 1889 or 1890. Joseph Gillman also tooke me by the home in which they had lived before they went to Western Kansas. It was a large frame house which had been enlarged in recent years. It was not far from Wheaton, Missouri.

Not long after his wife's death Eli Albert moved to the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory and from there to Krebs, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory.

On July 11 and July 21, 1891, in support of his application for a pension, Eli Albert gave affidavits at Krebs, I.T. D. Logsdon, father-in-law of Granville Albert was a witness to the first of these applications. Eli Albert apparently went for a brief stay in Vinita, Indian Territory later the same year, for in an affidavit for William Norman's pension application, on December 5, 1891 he gave Vinita as his address. It is known, however, that he soon returned to Krebs, Choctaw Nation. On February 23, 1893 in answer to an inquiry as to the address of Eli Albert the postmaster at Krebs stated, "This is Eli Albert's P. Office he rec mail in box 22 - residence 1/4 mile South of Office." Likewise, on January 23 in a letter which appears in William Norman's pension file, Wiley Britton stated, "His father-in-law, Eli Albert, and several members of his family have moved from near Rocky Comfort, McDonald County, and are now living at or near Krebs, Choctaw Nation, I.T."

About 1895 Eli Albert moved to a farm on Gaines Creek near Hartshorne, Choctaw Nation, I.T. Here my father, Ernest Homer Albert, as a twelve or thirteen year old boy spent a lot of time with him. He was always my father's idol. Many who knew them both have told me that my father was a lot like him. My father often told me, with a sense of admiration, how his grandfather could break, train, and handle a "yoke of oxen". When I was a boy my father had a beautiful black

horse named "Nick" which his grandfather had given him. Father would not have parted with "Old Nick" for love or money.

It was in Hartshorne, I.T. on August 30, 189[illegible] that Eli Albert married for the second time. After this marriage, he and his wife, Lucy Ann, who according to Ira Albert, had money which she had inherited from her first husband, a California gold miner, left Choctaw Nation and went back to the Ozarks, this time to Carroll County, Arkansas where they purchased a farm. On the way they stopped at the home of George Albert, Eli's youngest son, who was living near Hulbert, Cherokee Nation. They induced Ira Albert, George's son to go with them to Arkansas. Ira went along and lived with them in Carroll County for three or four years. Ira told me that he thought he would wind up with their farm but his step grandmother vetoed the idea. George Albert followed his father to Carroll County. The 1900 Census is pertinent:

1900 Carroll County, Arkansas

Cross Twp. June 16,, 1900 ED 37 Bol. 4, Sheet 9

131-131 Albert, Eli, Head, b. July 1828, age 71, married 4 years
Farmer b. Illinois Father born Virginia
Mother born Illinois
Cannot read or write
Owns farm free of mortgage

" Lucy Wife, b. Aug. 1831, age 68, married 4 years
mother of 8 children, 1 living
B. Ind. Fb Ind. Mb. Va.
Reads and writes.

" Irra Grandson, b. Nov. 1880, age 19,
b. Mo. Fb. Ill. Mb. Ark.
Farm Laborer

1900 Carroll County, Arkansas

June 1, 1900 King River Twp. ED. 37

3-3 Albert, George, Head, b. Aug. 1856 Ill. Ill. Tenn.
Farmer - Rents Farm

" Virgie Daughter, Feb. 1883, Single
Age 17

" Ottis Son, Jan. 1889, age 11
Ark. Ill. Tenn.

" Horace Son, b. Jan. 1892, age 8
Ark. Ill. Tenn.

In a pension application dated July 22, 1901, Eli Albert stated that he was a resident of Carroll County, Arkansas and received his family at Golden, Missouri, which was near his farm. He also listed his address as Harrington, Arkansas. When he sold his farm in Carroll County, he went to Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation where his pension file showed him living on September 15, 1903. He then moved to Benton County, Arkansas, Ira Albert going with him. In an affidavit in his pension file, dated May 4, 1904, his address was given as Maysville, Benton County, Arkansas.

Eli Albert next moved to his last earthly residence, Wilburton, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. He must have moved to Wilburton in 1904 because my Aunt Alice Boatwright told me she visited him there that year. My Uncle Bert Albert wrote me that he remembered that his grandfather was in poor health when he saw him while he was living in the northwest part of Wilburton.

The best information I have on Eli Albert during his last days was given me by Virgil Townson who married Virgie Albert, daughter of George Albert. In 1953, while I was visiting him in his home in Delano, California, he gave me the following statement:

"My wife and I were living with Eli Albert at Wilburton, Indian Territory during his last illness. I was hauling hay the day he died. His house was in the Northwest part of town, at the foot of the hill, North of Jim Degron's store. Dr. H. L. Jolly waited on him. He was buried on Sandstone Prairie about two miles Southwest of Wilburton. Some Wilburton people who were acquainted with him were: W. H. Royce; W. F. Buncan; L. T. Simms; Jim McKeever and his boys; Al Wolfington; Willie Smith, son of Dr. Smith; and Willie Peacock who should still be living."

The nest year while Mr. Townsend was visiting his daughter in Shawnee, Oklahoma, (Myrtle Christenberry) we drove to Wilburton, went to Eli Albert's grave and to his last home which had been enlarged and remodeled a little.

Eli Albert, according to his grandchildren, was short but slightly stocky in stature. Physically he was a powerful man for his size and quite a wrestling champion in his younger years. According to his application for pension made at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, September 15, 1903 he was five feet, three inches tall. Most of those who remember him believe that he was taller than this. His twin brother, Levi, was described on his Civil War enlistment papers as being five feet, seven inches tall. However, Granville Albert, his oldest son, was about five feet, two and one-half inches tall. My father who was five feet, five and one half inches thought he was about the same height as his grandfather. The same application described Eli Albert as being fair complexion, blue eyes, and dark hair which greyed considerably in later life.

Mr. Albert had no formal education. He signed his name with an "X". However, as Ira Albert put it, "he was quick with figures and had shrewd native ability. He was an expert with horses. He could take any old nag, fatten it up, and double his money on it. He would get up in the middle of the night and feed his horses and oxen." Joseph Gilman told me in 1955: "Grandpa Albert did not work much, but he was a good trader and always had money."

Eli Albert was in a sense a jack of all trades. He "operated hotels, dabbled in real estate, took long trips "before you knew it", traded horses, farmed, and engaged in many pursuits, sometimes several all at once. He was different from most people, in most ways. Aunt Alice Boatwright told me "he was good; all people loved him: he was a faithful member of the Missionary Baptist Church, as were most of the members of his family." Like most of his people he believed in living and let live. As John H. Ware Jr. put it, "He was never one to take much or to stick his nose in other people's business." This trait seems to have been prominent among his children and grandchildren.

Eli Albert was a man of the frontier, completely without pretense. He had no use for show. According to all of his grandchildren, "he was kind, soft spoken, and even tempered." My father, Ernest Homer Albert told me that his "grandfather was very fond of his own grandfather, Simon Albert and often spoke of him. He told of the latter's Pennsylvania German origin." My grandfather told me his father, Eli Albert, was "independent by nature and never in his life imposed himself on others. He minded his own business."

CHILDREN OF ELI ALBERT

i. Julia Anna Albert
ii. Granville Albert
iii. George Washington Albert

FIFTH GENERATION - LEVI ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Levi Albert, twin brother of Eli, and son of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young, was born in Marion County, Illinois July 11, 1828. Proof that Eli and Levi were twins and proof of date of birth is found in John H. Ware's Family Record, page 6. The date of birth is authenticated by the tombstone of Eli in the city cemetery at Wilburton, Oklahoma and the 1900 Census Record of Eli Albert in Carroll County, Arkansas. Strangely enough, the date of birth of twins is shown by records relating to Eli whereas the place of birth is found in Levi's Military Record, which shows that he was born in Marion County, Illinois.

Levi Albert was mortally wounded in the Battle of Nashville in the Civil War, and he died on December 28, 1864, in the Cumberland General Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. He was buried in the Nashville City Cemetery, grave No. 10729 (Military Service Record, Levi Albert).

Levi Albert married Emeline (Emma) Carr at Mt. Vernon, Illinois, July 3, 1859. They had only one child, Mary Jane, who was born May 19, 1860 and died August 9, 1862. Levi Albert left no children at the time of his death.

Levi Albert was in the Union Army during the Civil War. He enlisted August 20, 1862 at Perry County, Missouri, in Company G,

33rd Missouri Infantry. He was listed as a farmer by occupation. His records show him to have had blue eyes, dark hair, and light complexion, and that he was 5' 7 1/2" tall. He was unlettered and signed his name with an "X".

After his death, Levi Albert's widow was pensioned (VA Pension File No. Civil War 147, 425). Affidavits in support of the pension were given by James Albert and Robert Malcolm of Marion County, Illinois. The file also shows that on September 27, 1870, Dr. A.T. Bartlett, formerly Field Surgeon, 33rd Missouri Infantry, gave an affidavit in Macoupin County, Illinois that Levi Albert was brought to the field hospital where he was acting as operating surgeon. Albert was wounded in the bowels which he considered fatal. He later died in the Cumberland Hospital of the wound.

His death certificate showed Mrs. Emma Albert of Salem, Illinois to be his widow. Gun shot wound in the left lung was listed as the cause of death. His effects were listed as 2 pr. pants, 2 shirts, 1 pr. drawers, 1 knapsack, 1 portfolio, and 1 pocket book.

Emeline Albert married John Anderson in Perry County, Illinois, April 14, 1874. They lived for sometime in DeQuain, Illinois and also in Harrisburg, Saline County, Illinois. John Anderson died June 22, 1911. Emeline Anderson died December 18, 1919.

CHILD OF LEVI AND EMELINE ALBERT

i. Mary Jane Albert, b. May 19, 1860; d. Aug. 9, 1862.

FIFTH GENEARATION - WILLIAM ALBERT (Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

William Albert, youngest child of the marriage of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young, was born probably in 1833 in Marion County, Illinois (See Jacob Albert, Fourth Generation). The exact date of his death is not known but he probably died in 1864 or 1865 in Denton County, Texas. His youngest son, Joseph Eli Albert, was born January 8, 1864 (death certificate, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, which erroneously shows the name of this son to have been Jesse E. Albert). John H. Ware, in his Family Record, at page 6, states that William Albert went to Texas and "died in the time of the war." He married Mary Ann Gazaway. This is attested to by the Death Certificate of his oldest son, William Franklin Albert (sic) who died in Denton County, Texas September 8, 1927 (Bureau of Vital Statistics, State of Texas). John H. Ware remembered the name incorrectly in his first account at page 6 of his Family Record when he said William Albert married Mary Casaday, but he was more nearly correct at page 86 that William Albert married Mare Gaseway or Caseway (the first letter in the manuscript is almost illegible). However, there is plenty of evidence that the name was Gazaway. There were, as late as the 1950's, grandchildren of William Albert who remember that their grandmother's maiden name was Gazaway.

According to information furnished me by the late John Daniel Albert of Oklahoma City, Vesta Lee Pierce; Amarillo, Texas; and Martha I. Howell, Hesperia, California, William Albert's widow, Mary Ann, married twice after his death: first, to Thomas C. Yarbor; and second, to James Oliver Pierce, Sr. She had

children by all three of her husbands.

We have seen in the Bounty Land Records of Jacob Albert, Fourth Generation, that William Albert was about seventeen years old in 1851. John H. Ware says in his Family Record that they left together along with other relatives, including Cal (Robert Calvin) Malcolm, Ware's brother-in-law, and several others, obviously including Sampson Snodgrass and Jackson Young, all cousins of John Ware and William Albert, in 1853 for Texas. Beginning at page 83, Ware gives a very interesting account of their trip to Old Alton, Denton County, Texas and of their activities in that area. He then relates how he and William Albert left Denton County, went to Sherman, Texas, Van Buren, Arkansas, where they crossed the Arkansas River on a raft, and on to Gadfly, Missouri where they went to work and "made a site of plows". Ware then states that, at page 87, "Bill and Mary dident stay very long with us, they said they was a going back to Illinois and started and went down to Coples Miles *** and then steared back for Texas and that was the last time I ever saw Bill and Mary. Bill was a own cousin to me and a own cousin to my wife Pop***".

All the foregoing is consistently borne out, including the apparent age and birthplace of William Albert by 1860 Census Records for Denton County, Texas, as follows:

1860 Denton County, Texas

328	Sampson Snodgrass	33	Hireland	Illinois
	Louisa Jane "	27		Illinois
	Emaline "	9		Illinois
	Mary Jane "	3		Texas

534	William Albert	26	Hireland	Illinois
	Mary A. "	21		Illinois
	Wna. F. "	2		Texas
	Sarah J. "	1/12		Texas
	Thomas Donaldson	21		Missouri
535	R.C. Malcolm	21	Farmer	Illinois
	Louisa "	29		Illinois
	Deca "	9		Illinois
	George "	7		Illinois
	Robert H. "	6		Choctaw Nation
	Louisa A. "	3		Missouri
	Jackson Young	30		Illinois
	Ellen "	28		Missouri
	Margaret "	6		Texas
	Henry W. "	9/12		Texas

A Gazaway family is also shown in the same vicinity:

1860 Denton County, Texas

Jesse Gazaway	50	Farmer	Alabama
Nancy "	42		Missouri
John "	18		Illinois
David "	15		Illinois
Isabella "	11		Missouri
Clarrissa "	8		Texas
Jesse "	2		Texas
Geo. W. "	3/12		Texas
Jesse George	17	Farmer	Texas
James R. "	11		Texas
William "	11		Texas
Benj. F. "	6		Texas
James Gazaway	30		Illinois

William Albert was a Confederate soldier in the Civil War. Here in our family is another instance of "brother against brother" so common in the conflict. His older brothers, Eli and Levi, as we have noted, served in the Union Army, the latter having been killed at Nashville, Tennessee.

The Civil War record of William Albert on file at the National Archives shows that he enlisted for the duration of the war on

September 30, 1862, as a Private in Company A, Griffin's Battallion, Texas, and he served later in Company E, 21st Battallion, Texas Infantry. Company muster roll for November and December 1862 showed him on detached service December 25, 1862. Muster roll for September and October 1863 showed him to be on sick furlow August 26 from Beaumont Hospital. Roll for November 27, 1863 carried him as "deserted from sick leave". Apparently he was ill while in desertion and died about 1865. His youngest son, who apparently was born January 8, 1864, according to his daughter, Lela Smith "spoke of barely remembering him". This is consistent with John H. Ware's statement noted above, that he "died in the time of the war".

List of Deserters, December 23, 1863 contained important data as follows: "William Albert, enlisted September 23, 1862, Denton County; age 29; occupation, potter; height, 5'8"; complexion, fair; eyes, gray; hair, dark; where born, Marion, Illinois."

It might be noted that the 1860 Census, showing William Albert to have been 26 at the time it was taken, would indicate that he would have been 28 at the same time in 1862. It is noted that the above record indicates that he was 29 at enlistment on September 23, 1862. This indicates that his birthday must have been in the summer of 1833.

The 1870 and 1880 Census records for Cooke County, Texas, show Mary Ann, widow of William Albert, with her last two husbands. Cooke County is the adjacent County to North of Denton County. These records are helpful but are replete with obvious errors, including incorrect dates and misspelled names.

1870 Cooke County, Texas

Thomas C. Yarbro	39	Tennessee
Wm. F. Olbert	10	Texas
Mary A. Yarbro	29	Illinois
Sarah J. Olbert	8	Texas
Joseph "	6	Texas
Robt. C. Yarbro	3	Texas
James C. "	1	Texas
Andrew "	13	Texas
John W. "	11	Texas

1880 Cooke County, Texas

Pierce	(Illegible)	49	Farmer	Tex.	Ky.	?
"	Mary Ann	39	wife	Ill.	Ala.	Tenn.
"	Richard	19	son			
"	James	16	son			
"	Perry	2	son	Tex.	Ky.	Ill.
"	Martha	1/12	daughter	Tex.	Ky.	Ill.
Perkins	John	21	step son	Tex.	Tenn.	Ind.
"	Mary	19	step dau	Tex.	Tenn.	Ind.
Olbert	Frank	21	step son	Tex.	Miss.	Ill.
"	Sarah	18	step dau	Tex.	Miss.	Ill.
"	Joseph	17	step son	Tex.	Miss.	Ill.

The discrepancies between the ages of the children of William and Mary Ann Albert in the 1860, 1870, and 1880 censi show that the latter two and particularly the 1870 census is wrong. Also note two other errors appeared, after William Albert's death. One was the spelling of the name doubtless due to the way it sounded to the census taker. At that time it was pronounced in what is called the "old way" as if it were spelled "Allbert". William Franklin Albert retained this pronunciation and later in life changed the spelling to "Allbert" to avoid confusion. It might help here to quote from a letter which I received from the late John Daniel Albert, son of Joseph Eli and grandson of William, dated February 23, 1857, 134 S.E. 24th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as follows:

"Dear Sir, in answer to your letter of Feb. 9,
yes the name GAZAWAY was my grandma Albert's
maiden name.***"

And from a previous letter from the same person, dated November 23, 1956:

"***Our name was called Allbert in Texas but
when we moved to Oklahoma and spelled it Albert
they would say "that spells 'Albert', so we just
went to calling it 'Albert'. My Uncle Frank
(William Franklin) called it Allbert until he
died *** at Denton, Texas.***"

It may also be noted that the illegible first name of the head-of-household in the above 1870 Census should be "James Oliver". He was called James Oliver Pierce, Sr., and his sixteen year old son, James, listed in the Census was James Oliver Pierce, Jr. It may be further noted that the latter married his stepsister, the above named Sarah Jane Pierce.

One other error which crept into the records was the birthplace of William Albert. Note that the father of his children, as shown in the 1880 Census, was said to have been born in Mississippi. This was handed on down apparently by William's widow, Mary Ann, and has been found in various documents. However, the children of William themselves were apparently never under this misapprehension, and any doubt cast by other records was straightened by the 1900 Census which is consistent with the 1860 Census and with extant Marion County, Illinois records relating to William Albert, son of Jacob. Thus we

call attention to the following records:

1900 Cooke County, Texas

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198-200 Albert, William F., April 1861, age 39
Texas, Illinois, Illinois
" Mary Wife, December 1861, 38
Texas, Missouri, Missouri
" John Son, October 1892, age 19
Texas, Texas, Texas

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57-57 Pierce, James August 1865, age 35
Texas, Illinois, Illinois
" Sarah Wife, October 1864, age 35
Texas, Illinois, Illinois

Note that these census records of William and Mary Albert are completely consistent with the 1860 Denton County record so far as both parents having been born in Illinois was concerned. Note also that William F. (Franklin, called Frank) still used the spelling 'Albert'. Note further that the ages of both of these children of William and Mary Ann Albert were listed incorrectly. They had to be older to be in the 1860 census.

Grandchildren of William and Mary Ann (Albert), including James Daniel Albert and Lela May Smith have confirmed that their grandmother had three children by their own grandfather before he died, William Franklin; called Frank; Joseph Eli, called Eli; and Sarah Jane.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND MARY JANE ALBERT

i. William Franklin Albert
ii. Sarah Jane Albert
iii. Joseph Eli Albert

SIXTH GENERATION - JULIA ANNA ALBERT (Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Julia Anna Albert, daughter of the marriage of Eli Albert and Sophia Chaffin, was born August 2, 1851, in Marion County, Illinois. She died November 26, 1902 in Baxter Springs, Kansas. She was buried in Friends Church Cemetery Northeast of Baxter Springs, Kansas, November 28, 1902 at 10:00 a.m. She married William Norman, son of Pleasant and Patsy Norman on April 5, 1865 in Knob Knoster, Johnson County, Missouri.

The foregoing statistics are well-supported by reliable proof. Her birth and death dates are shown on her tombstone, which is in bad repair and reads:

> "Julia A., wife of W. M. Norman, born August 2, 1851,
> died November 26, 1902.
> She saw the life long Cherished hopes fulfilled, and
> caught the Welcome of a Savior's love."

The record of her marriage to William Norman is contained in the Marriage Records of Johnson County, Missouri. Data concerning her death were shown in her obituary, which, in 1954, was in possession of her late nephew, Charles Granville Gilman, then a resident of Hot Springs, Arkansas. The place of her birth, according to recollection of relatives, was in Marion County, Illinois, and supporting evidence of this fact is contained in the chapter on her father, Eli Albert, supra. Her husband, William Norman, was born April 11, 1840, six miles South of Kingston, Roane County, Tennessee, son of Pleasant and Patsy Norman. He died September 1, 1910 in the home of his son, Albert Norman, in Baxter Springs, Kansas. He was buried in the Baxter Springs Cemetery in the Civil War plot. (Civil War Pension File Number 190, 307; tombstone inscription, and oral interview of Julia

Scott, daughter of Albert Norman, Vinita, Oklahoma, 1954). Other children of Patsy and Pleasant Norman were Jane, David, Martha, Sarah, and Eliza (U.S. Census Records, Roane County, Tennessee, 1860 and 1870).

During the Civil War William Norman was a private in the Union Army. He enlisted in Company C, 6th Missouri Volunteer Cavalry, on August 20, 1861. His service file shows that he was discharged at New Orleans, Louisiana, July 20, 1864. For many years prior to his death he was pensioned for disability in line of duty, and a fairly complete biography may be compiled from his pension file. This file also contains considerable data on relatives of the family of his wife, including Eli Albert, Granville Albert, Mary Jane (Mollie) Albert, Elizabeth Scholes, George Albert, John H. Ware, and Jackson Snodgrass, all of whom furnished affidavits for him at one time or another.

In 1860 William Norman left his native home and went to Phelps County, Missouri. He worked on a farm nine miles North of Rolla, Missouri for a man named James McNatt. He and two of the McNatt boys, Isaac and Eli, enlisted in the Army in 1861. They participated in the Pea Ridge campaign and in the Battle of Prairie Grove. After about a year and a half in Missouri their Company went South by boat on the Mississippi River and participated in the Battle of Vicksburg.

After discharge William Norman stayed with Captain William Fishe's Company of the Enrolled Missouri Millitia. This was for

protection because it was during Price's Raid in the fall of 1864. After the Price Raid he went to Knob Knoster, Johnson County, Missouri, where he boarded with his brother-in-law, Charles Hood, whose first wife, Jane, was his sister. It was here that he met his first wife, Julia Anna Albert.

In the Spring of 1867, William Norman and his wife went to Barry County, Missouri where he homesteaded 80 acres in Copps Creek Township near Pierce City. He sold this farm in 1872 and went to Cowley County, Kansas. Two years later he bought a farm in Howard (now Chataqua) County, Kansas and lived near Cloverdale. After about a year and a half, "the grasshoppers ran me out" (pension file), and he moved back to Southwestern Missouri, this time to Rocky Comfort, McDonald County. In 1880 he and his family were living in Shoal Creek Township, Barry County, Missouri. In 1881 he moved to Seven Star Springs and in 1882 to Starr, Barry County, Missouri. From Barry County he went to Clark County, Kansas.

William Norman's pension file shows that he was frequently concerned about his pension and prospective increases. Incidentally, most pensioners were experts on changes in pension legislation. The following letter is an interesting one written during one of his trips into Kansas.

"December the 3, 1884
Meade, Co. Kansas

"Per to P . off mrs. kinge
Seare (sic) i jeste gote A note
to go to Wichita i cant go for
i am too far. i will sent to
you i am in 25 mile of Dodge City
and if you gite it change
Wm Norman

In March and April, 1886, William Norman's post office was Englewood, Kansas. In 1887 it was Cash City, Kansas. He next went to Colorado and on April 18, 1888, he was in Los Animos about fifteen miles north of Trinidad. He was there only about eight months when he returned to Barry County, Missouri. He was the Baptist Preacher in Exeter, Barry County, until about 1899. The house in which he lived in Exeter still was standing in 1854.

From Exeter he moved to Baxter Springs, Cherokee County, Kansas where he spent the rest of his life farming and preaching. His granddaughter, Julia Scott, daughter of Albert Norman, advised me in the early 1950's that the little church in which he preached in Cherokee County was still standing. While at Baxter Springs, his wife, Julia, died and he married Mahala Seals. There were no children of this marriage.

The census records help us keep up with Julia Anna Albert and her husband, William Norman. We have noted that in 1860 Julia was living with her parents in Granby Township, Newton County, Missouri and in 1870 in Copps Creek Township, Barry County, Missouri, with her husband and two oldest sons, Charles and Henry, near the family of her parents and her half-sister, Hulda Gillman, nee Vaughn.

We find her husband and her and other members of her family in later censi as follows:

1880 Barry County, Missouri

Shoal Creek Township, 3 June 1880
169-172

Norman,	William	23	Farmer	Tenn.	Ky.	Tenn.
"	Julia	29	Wife	Ill.	Ill.	Tenn.

"	Henry	12	Son	Mo.	Tenn.	Ill.
"	David	10	Son	Mo.	Tenn.	Ill.
"	Albert	6	Son	Ark.	Tenn.	Ill.
"	Martha	2	Daughter	Mo.	Tenn.	Ill.

At the time this census was taken, George Albert, youngest brother of Julia A. Norman was shown by the census taker as living in the next household.

1900 Cherokee County, Kansas Census

Spring Valley Township

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Norman,	William	Head, b. Apr. 1840, age 60, married 34 years Tenn. Tenn. N.C.
"	Julia A.	Wife, b. Aug. 1852, age 47, married 34 years Ill. Ill. Tenn.
"	Albert	Son, b. May 1874, age 26, married 3 years Kansas, Tenn. Ill. Farmer
"	Alice	Daughter-in-law, b. Jan. 1875, age 25 Tenn. Tenn. Tenn.
"	Julia	Granddaughter, b. Sept. 1897, age 2 Mo. Kans. Tenn.
"	Emma	Granddaughter, b. Oct. 1899 Kans. Kans. Tenn.

It will be noted that the 1900 Census puts Julia Anna Norman's birthdate in August 1852 whereas her tombstone lists her as having been born August 2, 1851. The 1860 Census lists her as ten years old, when it was taken, and the 1870 and 1880 Census records show her to have been 19 and 29 respectively. All three of these records support the date on the tombstone, and it is doubtless correct.

There was a lot of tragedy in the family of Henry and Julia Anna Norman. According to Ira Albert, nephew of Julia Norman, her oldest son, Charles, died in childhoos in Southwestern Missouri. My Aunt

Alice Boatwright told me in 1954 that she was with the Normans in Cash City, Kansas in 1887 when their third son, David, died of complications of measles when he was about seventeen years old. Joseph A. Gillman, nephew of Julia Norman, told me that he remembered the funeral of Martha (Mattie) when she was about sixteen years old. Foul play was suspected in her death and her mother never completely recovered from the shock of the loss of her only daughter. Martha was buried in Exeter, Missouri. The second son, Henry, was acidentally shot with a 22 caliber rifle while hunting about 1900. Never fully recovering from the wound he died in 1904. He married Mary (Mollie) Hodge, daughter of Preacher Hodge in Barry County, Missouri (Book F H67, 16 October 1980), but there were no children of the marriage. His widow remarried in Dearing, Kansas, on 14 October 1909 to Levi Truax. Henry Norman is buried in Robbins Cemetery near Dearing, Kansas. (U.S. Census Records, supra; tombstone inscription; letter Charles G. Gillman, May 9, 1954).

Albert, fourth son of Henry and Julia Anna Norman, was the only child to live to rear a family.

CHILDREN OF JULIA ANNA ALBERT AND HER HUSBAND, WILLIAM NORMAN

i. Charles Norman
ii. Henry Norman
iii. David Norman
iv. Albert Norman
v. Martha Norman

SIXTH GENERATION - GRANVILLE ALBERT (Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Granville Albert, my grandfather, was the second child and

oldest son of the marriage of Eli Albert and Sophia Vaughn (nee Chaffin). He was born in Marion County, Illinois, 6 February 1854. He married Mary (Mollie) Jane Logsdon, daughter of Dennis Logsdon and Lydia Ann Ash at Elk Falls, Kansas, 2 July 1874, in what is now Elk County, Kansas (formerly Howard County, Kansas). He died 15 April 1929 at the home of his daughter, Alice May (Mrs. Thomas Jefferson) Boatwright, about four miles East of Wayne, McClain County, Oklahoma and was buried (tombstone) in Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, in Hillside Cemetery. I, Carl Albert, was present at his death, funeral, and burial. He was survived by his only wife, my grandmother, who died at the same place some four years later.

There is ample proof of the birth, marriage, death and many other statistical data pertinent to Granville Albert.

Family Bible

The Family Bible of Granville and Mary Jane Albert was kept by the latter until her death. After her death, entries were made by the wife of her grandson, Georgia (Mrs. James Granville) Boatwright. Upon the death of the latter, Georgia Boatwright gave the Bible to me, Carl Albert, and it is still in my possession. The Bible was copyrighted by Hubbard Brothers, Philadelphia, 1882.

Pertinent family entries are as follows:

Name	Place of Birth	Date of Birth	Date of Marriage
G. Albert	Marion Co., Ill	Feb. 6, 1854	Jul. 2, 1874
M.J. Albert	Hart Co., Ky.	Mar. 29, 1859	
A.M. Albert	Chautauqua Co., Kan.	June 5, 1875	Aug. 13, 1893
E.H. Albert	Barry Co., Mo.	Nov. 17, 1882	Mar. 2, 1907
Bertie Albert	Krebs, I.T.	Aug. 11, 1891	Sep. 15, 1909

The Record of the marriage of Granville Albert and Mollie (Mary) Jane Logsdon is on file in the Office of the Probate Judge of Chautauqua (formerly Howard) County, Kansas. I have a letter from the Probate Judge, Chautauqua County, Kansas, dated March 3, 1953, which reads as follows:

"Dear Sir: We find the record of Granville Albert and Mollie Jane Logsdon license, dated July 2, 1874, of Howard County.

Elk and Chautauqua were combined at that time.***.

Signed
Irma L. (Raybourn) Eley
Probate Judge

The marriage certificate was copied in the Family Bible and reads identically to the Probate Record and is as follows:

"Marriage Certificate"

"This certifies that Mr. Granville Albert and Miss Mollie J. Logsdon were solemnly united by me in Holy Matrimony at Elk Falls on the 2nd day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and 74 conformably to the Ordinance of God and the laws of the State.

"In Presence of
W. L. Lawson
H. P. Milton

(Signed)
Graham
Probate Judge".

Further proof of the parentage, birth, death, and other vital statistics relative to Granville Albert is also contained in his Certificate of Death. I was present when the undertaker prepared the certificate and know personally that it was furnished by my grandmother, Mary Jane Albert, and her daughter, Mrs. Alice M.

Boatwright.

The Certificate of Death reads in pertinent part as follows:

"Certificate of Death"
Oklahoma State Board of Health
Bureau of Vital Statistics
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Register No. 383
****.

1. Place of Death
County - McClain
Hopping Township

2. Full Name - Mr. Granville Albert 46

3. Sex - Male

4. Color or race ** - White

5. ** - Married

6. Date of Birth - February 6th 1854

7. Age - 75 years, 2 months, 9 days

8. Occupation - Farming

9. Birth Place - Ill.

PARENTS -

10. Name of Father - Eli Albert

11. Birthplace of Father - Ill.

12. Maiden name of Mother - Sophia Chaffin

13. Birthplace of Mother - Tennessee

14. The above is true to the best of my knowledge.
Informant - Mrs. Alice M. Boatwright
Route 1, Wayne, Oklahoma.

15. File 4-16, 1929
K___ M. Jones, Registrar

16. Date of Death - Apr. 15, 1929

17. I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar. 1, 1929, to Apr. 15, 1929, that I saw him alive on Apr. 12 and that death occurred on the date stated above at 11:40 a.m.

The cause of death was apoplexy. Duration 1 mo., 15 days.

O. O. Dawson, M.D.
4/22/29
Wayne, Oklahoma.

18. Length of residence at place of death, 2 years. In the State, 35 years.

19. Place of Burial - Hillside Cemetery, McClain Co., Okla.

20. Undertaker - B. H. Rocklay

Data may also be found from U.S. Census records. I have found his name in these records for 1860, 1870, 1880 and 1900. These are as follows:

1860 Newton County, Missouri

987	Eli Albert	26	Farmer	Ill.
	Sophia	36		Tenn.
	Huldah	13		Ill.
	Julia	10		Ill.
	Granville	6		Ill.
	George	2		Ill.

1870 Barry County Missouri

Page 659 Post Office - Cassville, Missouri
Copps Creek Township

160	Albert, Eli	45	Farmer	Ill.
	Sophia	46		Tenn.
	Granville	16		Ill.
	George	13		Ill.

1880 McDonald County, Missouri

1 June 1880, Rocky Comfort, Missouri

220-232	Albert, Eli	53	Landlord	Ill.	--	--
	Sophia	56	Landlady	Tenn.	Tenn.	Tenn.
	Foster, John	26	Druggist - Boarder			

220-233	Albert, Granville	26	Hostler	Ill.	Ill.	Tenn.
	Mollie	21	Housekeeper	Ky.	Ky.	Ky.
	Abie	5	Daughter	Kans.	Ill.	Ky.

1900 Indian Territory

Choctaw Nation
Township 5 N, Range 15 E (now Pittsburg County, Oklahoma).
James C. Caldwell, Enumerator
June 16, 1900

459-459	Granville Albert,	Feb. 1854	46	Married 26 years Farmer, owns farm.	Ill. Ill. Tenn.
	Mollie, wife	March 1859	41	Married 26 years 3 children, all living	
	Ernest, son	June 1882	17	Single	Mo. Ill., Ky.
	Bertie, son	Aug. 1890	9	At school	Mo. Ill., Ky.

(Christian and surnames were reversed in this census; also month of birth of Ernest Albert was listed as June, whereas he was born in November, as shown by Family Bible.)

So far as I know, Granville Albert lived with his family until he married, and it can be assumed that the story of his father, Eli, heretofore given, pretty well covers his biography for the period. Even after his marriage the family generally lived close to each other and usually moved together at least up until the 1890's. These included Eli Albert, Henry Norman, and George Albert and other collaterals. This was told to me by Granville Albert's daughter, my Aunt Alice Boatwright, and by George Albert's son, Ira Albert. A study of the Civil War pension files of Eli Albert and of his brother-in-law, Henry Norman, will for the most part substantiate both the family togetherness and their Gypsy like habits.

Apparently only one thing happened that separated Granville

from his father for a period of time. He told me that he and his mother made a crop while his father was away fighting during the Civil War.

According to Henry Norman (Civil War pension file) the clan moved from Barry County, Missouri to Cowley County, Kansas in 1872. They then moved to Howard County, Kansas where Granville married in 1874 (supra).

They then moved back to Barry County, Missouri. John H. Ware in his Family Record reports having sold Granville a mule in 1877 for twenty-four dollars. Ware was living in Barry County at the time.

While back in Missouri, Eli Albert bought and operated a hotel in Rocky Comfort, McDonald County, Missouri. Granville Albert worked for him as a hostler. The families are shown in the 1880 census for McDonald County in adjacent entries and in the same household. John H. Ware (page 41) places the date of Granville Albert's move to Rocky Comfort as 6 January 1879.

In 1953, my father's cousin, Joseph A. Gillman showed me the hotel which Eli Albert owned. He also showed me the home of the latter's son-in-law, Rev. Henry Norman, who then preached at the Baptist Church in Rocky Comfort.

Within the next year ot two Grnaville Albert moved to a farm back in Barry County, Missouri. My father was born, according to my grandmother, on a farm in that county 17 November 1882 (Family Bible).

The date is uncertain, but it was about 1886 when my grandfather and many of his relatives moved to Western Kansas. Their post office was Cash City. My grandmother Albert's mother, Lydia Ann Logsdon, nee Ash, died out there was was buried on the banks of the Cimmeron River

in 1887 (Paul Logsdon, her son to Carl Albert in 1952).

Several of the family undertook to stake claims in "No Man's Land," now the Oklahoma Panhandle. This territory was then under no organized government and was the hide-out of numerous outlaws. Many times I have heard the story of Grandfather crossing the Cimmeron in a covered wagon with his family. They were halted by three outlaws with drawn weapons. After a few verbal exchanges, one of the outlaws said he would kill them if it were not for the childrnen. They then told him to move on. He drove a few miles and camped for the night. The next day my grandfather was up early looking for game with his shotgun. He accidentally ran into a horse tied to a tree and immediately noticed that a man was sleeping on the ground nearby. He recognized at once that is was one of the men who had stopped him in the River and had abused him and threatened to kill him. Grandfather cocked his gun and knew he could kill the outlaw without ever waking him up. Instead he pointed his gun at the outlaw's temple and aroused him as he disarmed him. The then marched him to his own camp, bound him, and hauled him to the jail in Cash City.

Learning that it would be impossible to settle safely in "No Man's Land," Granville Albert decided to go to Harper City, Kansas. My Aunt Alice Boatwright said they stayed there for several months and went to school there. They then moved to Bluejacket, Indian Territory, never to return to Missouri or Kansas to live again.

From Bluejacket Granville Albert moved to Krebs, Choctaw Nation. His son, Ernest Homer Albert, was seven years old at the time. After statehood Krebs was located in Pittsburg County where Ernest Homer

Albert lived the rest of his life.

Thereafter at Krebs, Granville Albert got a job firing the boiler at Number 9 Coal Mine.

He next moved to Savanna where he purchased and operated a hotel. He then moved to McAlester and thence to a farm West of McAlester. (See 1890 Census)

In 1906, when the lands of the Five Civilized Tribes were opened to the Indians for allotment, Thomas Jefferson Boatwright, son-in-law of Granville Albert, went to the Chickasaw area of Oklahoma and alloted lands for himself and his family near Wayne in McClain County. Granville Albert, his wife, Mary, and his youngest son, Bert Ray, went with him. Granville and Bert Ray farmed on the Boatwright lands until they moved to the Bug Tussle Community in Pittsburg County where together with my father, they operated a large farm for some three or four years beginning about 1912.

Some four years later Granville bought a small farm about 4 miles southeast of McAlester, Oklahoma. The farm lay directly East of Mountain View school and was across the road from it. Grandfather farmed the place which was on top of what was known as Pine Mountain until about 1921 when he moved to McAlester. There he lived in the 6th Ward in a home he purchased. For a few years he was the custodian of the 6th Ward (Eugene Field School). He was also a Deacon in the Second Baptist Church in North McAlester. He was a very devout Baptist as was most of his family. In politics he was independent but usually registered as a Republican.

Granville Albert was one of the best men I have ever known. He

was never known to swear or raise his voice. He was always relaxed, slow in movement, but a very steady worker. He was kind almost beyond belief. He was not very well educated and had no driving ambitions.

Granville Albert and his entire family were small people physically but generally very strong. He never weighed over one hundred and twenty-five pounds. He was about five feet two inches tall. His wife and daughter were barely five feet; his youngest son Bert measured five feet one inch, but was very swift, strong, and aggressive. His oldest son, my father, was the only one more than five feet tall and the only one that weighed more than one hundred fifty pounds.

Granville had black hair, brown eyes, and fair skin. Neither his size nor appearance ever changed substantially during most of his adult life.

Granville Albert had few superstitions, but like most small farmers of his day, he believed in farming by moon signs and in searching for well water with peach tree limbs or willow wands. I remember when my father moved to the farm on which we were raised. Grandfather located the spot where we drilled his well. I can see Grandfather now as he walked back and forth until he finally found and marked the place where the well was drilled. The casing of the well is still there to be seen. It is on the part of the family farm which now belongs to me.

Granville Albert was a thoughtful, careful, and wise old grandfather. He was quiet and judicive. He believed in living and letting live. My cousin, James Granville Boatwright, had to be close to right when he said: "Grandpa Albert was the best man I ever knew."

CHILDREN OF GRANVILLE ALBERT AND MARY JANE LOGSDON

i. Alice May Albert +
ii. Ernest Homer Albert +
iii. Bert Ray Albert +

SIXTH GENERATION - GEORGE WASHINGTON ALBERT (Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

George Washington Albert, youngest child of the marriage of Eli Albert and Sophia Chaffin, was born in Marion County, Illinois 3 August 1856. He died in Okmulgee County, Oklahoma 3 December 1932 and was buried in the New Senora Cemetery South of Henryetta, Oklahoma. Three of his children, Ira and Otis Albert and his daughter, Virgie Townson, are all buried in the same cemetery.

George Washington Albert never used his middle name, and his middle initial "W" rarely shows up in public documents. William Virgil Townson, son-in-law of George Albert, told me in 1954 that the latter's middle name was "Washington". Since I have found his name written as George W. a few times, I assume that Mr. Townson was correct. William T. Townson of Lamont, California, grandson of George Albert, verified to me in a letter dated 27 April 1974, that "Washington" was his grandfather's middle name.

George Washington Albert married four times.

He first married Mary Frances Nelson in McDonald County, Missouri 11 October 1877. The marriage was performed by William Norman, his brother-in-law, who was a Baptist Preacher. Following is a copy of the record filed in the County Court House at Pineville, Missouri, 26 October 1977, in Book A, page 250:

"State of Missouri

County of McDonald

"This certified that George Albert of Barry County in the State of Mo. and Francis Nelson of Barry in the State of Mo. were at my residence in said county by me joined together in Holy Matrimony on the 11th day of Oct. in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Seventy Seven.

Wm. Norman

Minister of the Gospel."

Note that Miss Nelson used only her middle name in her marriage. Ira Albert, her son, told me in 1953 that she usually went by her middle name, Frances. George Albert had five children by his marriage to Mary Frances Nelson, four sons and one daughter.

Note that the marriage record shows her name to have been Nelson, and this is what William T. Townson told me he thought it was, but some members of the family have told me they thought it was Snelson. "Nelson" unquestionably was correct as it is the name that appears on her marriage certificate.

George Albert's second marriage was to Mary E. Coffee. This marriage took place in Barry County, Missouri and was also performed by William Norman, as shown by the marriage license on file in the county court house as Cassville, Missouri, in Marriage Book G, page 407 as follows:

bok G, page 407 as follows:

State of Missouri

ounty of Barry

"This license authorizes any licensed or ordained Preacher of the Gospel, who is a citizen of the United States, or who is a resident of this state and a Pastor of any church, Judge of a Court of Record, except Judges of the Probate Court, to solemnize marriage between George Albert of Exeter, in the County of Barry, and State of Missouri who is over the age of twenty-one years (age 37) and Mary E. Coffee of Exeter in the County of Barry and State of Missouri, who is over the age of eighteen years (age 44).

"Witness my hand as Recorder of Deeds, with the seal of my office hereto affixed, at my office in Cassville, Missouri this 1 day of May 1894.

L.S. Chas S. Bryan

Recorder of Deeds"

State of Missouri

ounty of Barry

"This is to certify that I, the undersigned Minister of the Gospel, did at Exeter, in the said county, on the 2nd day of May 1894, unite in Marriage the above named persons, and I further certify that I am legally

qualified under the laws of the State of Missouri,

to solemnize marriages.

William Norman

Minister of the Gospel"

It may be of interest to know that William Norman was for some years pastor of the Exeter Baptist Church and lived in the community. In 1953 Joseph Gillman, nephew of George Albert and of Julia Norman, sister of George Albert, showed me the church in which William Norman preached and his home which was near the railroad tracks.

There were no children of George Albert's marriage to Mary E. Coffee.

George Albert's third marriage was to Phineas Poeboy in Tahlequah, Indian Territory. Since the Territorial papers are not on file in the Cherokee County Court House, the county officials have advised they do not have a record of it. It is probably on file in one of the Federal Court Houses of the Cherokee Nation. Since there were no children of this marriage I have made no effort to pursue it.

George Albert married fourth to Amelia Melinda Guinn whose maiden name was Schubert. Her death certificate on file with the State Board of Health at Jefferson City, Missouri shows that she was a daughter of the marriage of Frank Schubert and Sarah Chambers.

A record of this marriage is on file in the County Court House at Tahlequah, Oklahoma as follows:

"State of Oklahoma, Marriage License,

County of Cherokee

"In the District Court

"To any person authorized to perform or solemnize the Marriage Ceremony, Greeting:

"You are hereby authorized, upon delivery of this marriage license within ten days from the date of its issue to you, to join in marriage Mr. G. W. Albert of Moody, County of Cherokee, State of Oklahoma, age 53 years, and Mrs. M. E. Guinn of Eureka, County of Cherokee, State of Oklahoma, age 30 years ***

"Issued *** this 1 day of November 1909.

J. C. Woodson, Court Clerk"

"Certificate of Marriage

"I, C. N. Elrod, Justice of the Peace, in Cherokee County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this license to be married, on the 2nd day of November A.D. 1909 at 11:00 o'clock in Cherokee County, State of Oklahoma, in the presence of Alma Elrod and Sarah Elrod.

C.N. Elrod, Justice of Peace"

There were two children by this marriage, one girl and one boy. William T. Townson advises that this marriage took place in Hulbert, Oklahoma.

I have in my possession a copy of the death notice of Amelia Melinda Albert. It reads, in pertinent part, as follows:

"In memory of AMELIA MELINDA ALBERT, Born July 14, 1885, Passed away November 2, 1944. Services at Avilla Christian

Church. Officiating Mr. Allen Keller. Final Resting Place, New Hope Cemetery."

In addition to the above marriage records we have located George Albert's name in various public records over the years and will undertake to list those which appear to be most important. He appears in every extant census record open to the public from 1860 to 1900. We first find his name in the 1860 U.S. Census for Granby Township, Newton County, Missouri, living with his parents as follows:

1860 Newton County, Missouri

Granby Township, P.O. Granby

Eli Albert	Age 26	Farmer	Born Illinois
Sophia "	36		Tennessee
Huldah "	13		Illinois
Julia "	10		Illinois
Granville "	6		Illinois
George	2 (or 3?)		Illinois

1870 Barry County, Missouri Census
page 657
Copps Creek Township P.O. Cassville, Mo.

Albert, Eli	45	Farmer	Illinois
Sophia	46		Tennessee
Granville	16		Illinois
George	13		Illinois

1880 Barry County, Missouri

Albert, George	23	Farmer	Ill.	Ill.	Tenn.
Francis	22	Wife	Ark.	Tenn.	Tenn.
Mary	2	Daughter	Mo.	Ill.	Ark.

This census contains an error. The census taker mistook the baby to be a girl named Mary, when it was a boy named Marion whose death certificate shows that he was born July 13, 1878. Thus he would have been two years old when the 1880 Census was taken.

It is interesting to note that listed as his next door neighbors

when the above census was taken were his brother-in-law, William Norman, and the latters wife, Julia, who was George Albert's sister.

In the 1880 and 1890 census records the first state listed is where the person named was born; the second state is where his father was born; and the third is where his mother was born. Thus the above census shows George Albert was born in Illinois, his father was born in Illinois; and his mother in Tennessee.

1900 Carroll County, Arkansas Census

King River Township, June 1, 1900

Albert, George	b. Aug. 1856, age 43	Farmer	Ill.	Ill.	Tenn.
Virgie	b. Feb. 1883, age 17	Dau.	Ark.	Ill.	Tenn.
Otis	b. Jan. 1889, age 11	Son	Ark.	Ill.	Tenn.
Horace	b. Jan. 1892, age 8	Son	Ark.	Ill.	Tenn.

I do not have a complete list of the places where George Albert lived except as shown in the records I have found and information furnished me by some of his children and grandchildren. We know that he was with his parents in Marion County, Illinois in 1856 and went with them to Southwest Missouri near Granby when he was a year or two old. We know that he lived with his parents in Southwest Missouri and across Southern Kansas all the way out to "No Man's Land" (now the Oklahoma Panhandle) up until the time he married his first wife, Mary Frances Nelson. He had most of his children by his first wife and her death apparently was very hard on him and his children.

We know that George Albert was still in Southwest Missouri in 1894 because his second marriage took place in Barry County that year. His son, Ira Albert, told me his father moved down to Hulbert, Indian

Territory before 1900. He was living there when Eli Albert came by on his way to Carroll County, Missouri and induced Ira to go up and live with him. The 1900 Carroll County Census bears this out. We also know from the 1900 Census that George Albert followed his father up to Carroll County, but his second wife had refused to leave Missouri with him. According to Horace Albert, George moved back to the Tahlequah area in 1901. He was in or near Hulbert, Oklahoma when he gave an affidavit for Mahala Norman that he was a brother of Julia Albert, first wife of William Norman (Civil War Pension File, William Norman, SC 190 307-RG 15). He was still in Hulbert when his daughter Pearl Edith Albert was born and in Ottawa County when his son, Earl William Albert, was born. He appears from the 1920 Census to have been living in Benton County, Arkansas in June that year. He appears to have lived most of his later years in and around Henryetta, Oklahoma, with his son, Ira Albert, until the time of his death.

Physically George Albert was a man of fairly slight stature. He was about five feet six inches tall and is reported to have weighed about 140 pounds in his prime years. He was of fair complexion, dark brown hair and blue-gray or greenish eyes. All who knew him say he was a kind, soft spoken person, who seldom raised his voice.

As of this writing all of George Albert's children by his first wife are dead. His daughter, Pearl, by his fourth wife is still living and is married to Sam Thompson. His youngest son was killed in an automobile wreck.

In their lifetime I knew two of George Albert's children, Ira and Otis, and I had correspondence with his son, Horace. I also knew

his brother-in-law, William Virgil Townson late in his life. He and Ira Albert gave me a lot of information about my great-grandfather, Eli Albert.

In 1952 I drove up to Carthage, Missouri looking for Marion Albert, George's oldest son, hoping to be able to find out what he remembered about Eli Albert. Unfortunately I discovered he had died the year before I went up there. I found the family with whom he lived in his last years and they gave me a couple of pictures he had. He was apparently somewhat of a loner. The people he lived with said he never wrote to or heard from his own people. He had married once in his life, but his wife had died childless. About the only other person I found who had seen him was Jack Guinn who was apparently a step-brother. I was able to get a death certificate on Marion Albert from the Missouri Department of Health. It stated he was born July 13, 1878 and died May 4, 1951 in Carthage, Missouri. He was listed as a Railroad Fireman by occupation and as widowed at death.

CHILDREN OF GEORGE WASHINGTON ALBERT AND MARY FRANCES NELSON

i. Marion Albert, born Barry County, Mo. 13 July 1878, widow died without issue, Carthage, Mo. May 4, 1951
ii. Ira Albert +
iii. Virgie Irene Albert +
iv. Otis Albert, born 4 Nov. 1888, Carroll County, Ark. Died Holdenville, Oklahoma, single and without issue in the 1950's.
v. Horace Albert +

CHILDREN OF GEORGE WASHINGTON ALBERT AND AMELIA MELINDA SCHUBERT

vi. Pearl Edith Albert +
vii. Earl William Albert, born 30 April 1920, Afton, Oklahoma. Was killed by automobile while on a bicycle near Avilla, Missouri, 28 October 1935.

SEVENTH GENERATION - ALICE MAY ALBERT (Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Alice May Albert, daughter of Granville and Mary Jane (Logsdon) Albert, was born June 5, 1875 in Chautauqua County, Kansas. She died 4 November 1962 in Murray County, Oklahoma (death certificate). She was buried in Purcell, Oklahoma on 6 November 1962. She married Thomas Jefferson Boatwright on 13 August 1893 in Savannah, Choctaw Nation. They were married under Choctaw law and she became an intermarried Choctaw and later an allottee.

Alice May (Albert) Boatwright, whom I have always known as "Aunt Alice" (she was my father's only sister), was slightly built and short of stature like her parents before her. She was a fine Christian character and a devout member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Thomas Jefferson Boatwright, whom I have always known as "Uncle Tom" was born in the Choctaw Nation and was himself of one-eighth Choctaw Indian blood. When he married my Aunt Alice he had three children by a former marriage, Lucy who married Dee Luper, and Lon and Tang, twin sons.

Uncle Tom was a man of fine physique. As a young man, he had been recognized "as the best shot in the country". He was said to have been very handsome in his youth. He was alert with clear and penetrating eyes. He was a fine Christian character and a devout member of the Missionary Baptist Church. In politics he was a Democrat.

For several years after their marriage, Uncle Tom and Aunt Alice lived around Savannah and McAlester, Indian Territory, in the Choctaw Nation. When land allotments were made to Oklahoma Indians they moved

over to the Chickasaw Nation and took their allotments in what is now McClain County, Oklahoma, between the towns of Wayne and Rosedale. There on their old home place they lived most of their lives. They returned to McAlester and purchased a home after World War I but after a short while they went back to their farm. When Uncle Tom finally retired he moved to Rosedale where he died. He was buried in the cemetery at Purcell, Oklahoma.

After the death of Uncle Tom, Aunt Alice moved to a little home in Wayne where she lived most of the remainder of her life. She became bedfast during the last year of her life and was moved to a nursing home in Sulphur, Oklahoma, where her step-granddaughter, Geneva (Boatwright) Barnes, wife of Leo Barnes, lived. Geneva was a daughter of Lon Boatwright and granddaughter of Uncle Tom. Aunt Alice had reared Geneva who dearly loved her as a mother and who was as close to her as any person in the world.

Alice May Boatwright died in the Arbuckle Memorial Hospital just west of Sulphur, Murray County, Oklahoma, 4 November 1962 (death certificate). After her death her body was brought back to Wayne, Oklahoma and her funeral was held in the little Baptist Church where she had worshiped for many years.

The funeral was held on election day. After voting in McAlester, Oklahoma, I drove to Wayne and attended the funeral. The relatives all gathered there at the home of Ernest and Edith Luper, daughter and son-in-law of Aunt Alice. Among those present was my uncle, Bert Ray Albert, brother of Aunt Alice and of my father. This was the last time I ever saw him as he died two months later and was the last of

this family. My father, the only other child of my grandparents, Granville and Mary Jane (Logsdon) Albert, had gone on more than fifteen years before.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS JEFFERSON AND ALICE MAY BOATWRIGHT

i. Rudolph Boatwright (died in infancy)
ii. Edith Boatwright
iii. James Granville Boatwright
iv. Ernest William Boatwright
v. Louis Russell Boatwright

SEVENTH GENERATION - ERNEST HOMER ALBERT (Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Ernest Homer Albert, my father, son of Granville and Mary Jane (Logsdon) Albert, was born in Barry County, Missouri, 17 November 1882. He was a farmer and coal miner by occupation. He died of a heart attack at All Saints Hospital, McAlester, Oklahoma, 28 July 1947. He was buried in the family lot beside my mother in the Oak Hill Cemetery at McAlester, Chaney's Funeral Home of McAlester was in charge of the funeral arrangements. He was residing on our family farm in the Flowery Mound Community at the time of his death. (Family Bible, Mary Jane Albert; Death Certificate; personal knowledge of the author).

Ernest Homer Albert married three times.

He first married my mother, Leona Ann Scott, 2 March 1907 at McAlester, Indian Territory, the marriage license reading in pertinent part as follows:

> "E.H. Albert, McAlester, I.T., age 24 married Miss Ona Scott, McAlester, I.T., age 20, on 2 March 1907, by Rev. Charles Christenson, Minister of the Gospel," recorded 7 March 1907, Book 12, page 470, Marriage Records, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma."

He married second, Joyce Cummins in 1953. There were no children of this marriage.

He married third, Irene Maisano (nee Tate). Irene Tate had been married twice before, first to Lige McBee by whom she had two sons, Bill and J.E., both of whom my father reared. She married John Maisano after the death of Mr. McBee and my father after the former's death.

Leona Ann Scott, my mother, was born 15 April 1886 in Gainesville, Texas, second daughter of the marriage of Robert Carlton Scott and Sarah Margaret Frantz. Mother had only one full sister to live to maturity. She was Minnie Myrtle Scott, who married Liberty Centennial Williams. Minnie Myrtle (called Myrtle) Williams was living at 116 N.E. 13th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in 1963.

Ernest Homer Albert was about seven years old when his parents moved from Blue Jacket, I.T. near Vinita, I.T., where they received their mail, to Krebs, I.T. It was either in late 1889 or early 1890. Prior to 1890 he lived with his parents and his biography, so far as is known, can be taken from that of his father, Granville Albert (supra).

He lived with his family for a few years in Krebs when his father moved to Savannah where the latter purchased a hotel.

Ernest H. Albert had only about four years of schooling. His mother sent him to the Catholic School in Krebs, I.T., but she took him out when they began teaching him the catachism. She was a strong Southern Baptist and was afraid the Sisters might influence his religion. In Savanna, he was sent to a subscription school taught by Mr. Aston, father of H. I. Aston, later County Clerk and prominent lawyer of Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. His children went to McAlester High School with me. His father left teaching and became one of the first

Pentecostal Holiness preachers in Pittsburg County. From Savanna, my grandfather moved to McAlester where my father went to a subscription school, which is still standing and in use as a residence. The large white frame building is located at the end of South A Street in McAlester.

Ernest Albert spent quite a bit of time in the mid 1890's with his grandfather, Eli Albert, who was farming on Gaines Creek near Hartshorne. He used to enjoy telling what fine horses his grandfather had and how skillful he was in training yokes of oxen. He dearly loved his grandfather and was said to have favored him more than any of his, the latter's, grandsons and much more than he favored his own father.

The Granville Albert family moved next to a farm west of McAlester near the farm of his son-in-law, Thomas J. Boatwright, some time after 1895. He received the right to use the farm through Boatwright who had a land right as a one eighth Choctaw Indian. This information was given me by my grandmother, Mary Jane Albert, and my Aunt Alice May Boatwright. It comports with the 1900 census record for Granville Albert, supra.

In 1901 Ernest H. Albert left the farm and obtained a job in the "Big Bolen" coal mine in McAlester, Oklahoma, where the wages were much higher than those of a farm hand. During a "shut-down" at the Bolen mine he worked for a short time in a mine in McCurtain, Haskell County, Oklahoma. He became one of the most skillful miners in Pittsburg County having received a state certificate as a gas man. He was hired to do the most demanding and dangerous jobs in several mines. He told me he was trained by an old Scotsman who was an expert miner. He was shot fireman at "Big Bolen" when I was born. He was

ready to go to work when my mother's birth pains struck her on a bright sunny morning on the 10th of May 1908. (Affidavit from eye witness).

Not long after my brother, Noal Ernest Albert, was born on 2 February 1910, shortly thereafter, my father and a friend operated a mine about 300 yards east of "Big Bolen" and the mine was known as "Little Bolen". For awhile it was a very profitable enterprise bringing him in as much as one thousand dollars per month. He shortly thereafter sold the mine for a profit. He then moved to a little community called Baker, about four miles west of McAlester, While working in a mine at Baker a rock fell on him and had a friend not been able to pull it off of him he would probably have died. This shocked my mother so much that she told him that, with two small children, she could not bear the thought of his working in the mines any more. So he decided to turn to the only other occupation he knew - farming.

Robert Carlton Scott, my mother's father, was living on the old "Doc Tennant" farm about six miles north of McAlester in the Bug Tussle community. He arranged for my father to rent the Kile Tennant farm about one and one half miles north of grandfather. The latter farm joins the farm that my family has owned for many years. He also arranged for my father to work in a small mine on the "Doc Tennant" farm while he was getting ready to occupy the Kile Tennant farm, the latter being a daughter of the doctor and part Choctaw. So in 1911, we moved to Bug Tussle. We spent the first week in the teacherage at the school house, the teacherage then being empty. Shortly thereafter we moved to the old frame house on the Kile Tennant Farm.

The following year a rich large farm with productive bottom lands became open for rent. It had three old houses on it. It was too large for my father to farm alone. So he sent letters to his father, Granville, and his brother, Bert Ray, who were then living near the Thomas J. Boatwright farm between Wayne and Rosedale, Oklahoma, and asked them if they would rent the farm with him. They agreed to do so, and the three of them farmed together for about three or four years. Grandfather lived in a log cabin about one half mile west of us. Uncle Bert lived in a small frame house on top of a hill about one hundred yards north of us and we lived in a double log cabin with a large hall or breeze way. Here my sister, Kathryn Myrtle Albert, was born 26 April 1913. Old Doc Tennant, a Confederate war veteran, delivered her and my grandmother Albert bathed and dressed her.

In January 1917 my father rented a farm from Guy M. McCullough about one mile west of where we had been living. We lived in a four room unpainted house. It had been bought from the Bulling Darnell Mining Company and brought out to the farm by house movers. It was one of the houses in the same mining camp in which I was born and was very similar to the place of my birth. In 1919 my father bought this farm from Mr. McCullough and we have owned it ever since, except that all of the surface of the bottom land was taken over by the Federal government and is now under the waters of Lake Eufaula. We still own the minerals under the lake, and we have divided the land not covered by water. Both of my younger brothers, Homer Granville and Liberty Earl Albert, were born in this house, Homer on 13 May

1917 and Liberty Earl on 7 December 1921.

The location and legal description of the Ernest Homer Albert farm is as follows:

West 19 98 acres Lot I;
Lot 2, N.W. 1/4, S.W. 1/4, S.W. 1/4, N.E. 1/4,
Section 3, Township 6 North, Range 15 East, and
S. 1/2, S. 1/2, S.E. 1/4, N.W. 1/4, S.E. 1/4,
S.E. 1/4, Sec. 34, Township 6 North Range 15
East and containing 120.1 acres, more or less,
all in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma.

We lived on this farm until after I graduated from Bug Tussle school, called by that time, "Flowery Mound". Due to hard times, I stayed out of school for a year after graduation and helped on the farm. The next year I wanted to go to high school. So my father went back to the mines getting a job in the Number Four Sample Mines in the prison grounds at McAlester. We moved to Talawanda Heights, the prison area of McAlester, and lived diagonally across the street from Rich Owens, the prison executioner.

My father continued working the farm with hired hands as he was working in the mines. He made good wages most of the time. We stayed in McAlester all the time I was in high school but moved first to 522 West Harrison, Fourth Ward, and then to North D Street, Fourth Ward. We moved again back to 522 West Harrison where my mother contracted tuberculosis. My father sent her to Albuquerque, New Mexico, for treatment and she died there on 12114 North Walker Street on 31 December 1926. We had gone out to see her during the Christmas

vacation and she died while we were there. Her body was sent back to McAlester and she was the first to be buried in the Albert plot in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

As above indicated, my father married twice after my mother's death. He continued to live on the farm most of the time working part time in the mines and part time on the farm until he died. In addition to the time he lived on his farm he lived at different places in McAlester, including Talawanda Heights, 10th and Seminole, and West Harrison. He constantly worried over three of his sons being in the war, particularly over Homer, who was wounded in the Pacific.

Mos of the above mentioned events occuring after 1910 were known and remembered by me personally.

My father was a short, stocky built man and very muscular. At the prime of life he was five feet, five and one-half inches tall and weighed about 165 pounds. He was one of the most powerful men for his size the I have ever known. He loved physical labor of any kind and would work on the farm constantly from sun up until sun down with only a short time off for lunch. He loved his farm animals. He had a pair of mules, called Mack and Kit, with which he did practically all of his farm work. He also had a beautiful but slightly wild black horse called Nick which had been given to him by his grandfather Albert. He also had other horses and a variety of livestock including pigs and cattle. He had a general farm on which he raised cotton, corn, oats, wheat, peanuts, and vegetables.

My father had gray eyes and black hair but was rather light to ruddy complexioned. He enjoyed life, and enjoyed laughing, his whole

face lighting up and his dimples showing with every movement of his mouth. He had a temper which betrayed his anger when things did not go to suit him. His voice was strong and slightly deep.

My father was loved and respected wherever he lived. He had a way of getting along with most people. His friends were legion.

After having his first heart attack he gained a lot of weight and was unable to do much work. Yet he loved to eat and devoured big meals up to the time of his death. He remained strong even after he began failing. He died before he was sixty-five years of age. He refused to follow his doctor's orders. If he had done so he undoubtedly would have lived longer. He was the only one in his family to die before he had reached his seventieth birthday. Yet, uneducated though he was, he lived a full, happy, and useful life.

CHILDREN OF ERNEST HOMER ALBERT AND LEONA ANN SCOTT

i. Carl Bert Albert, born 10 May 1908, McAlester, Oklahoma +
ii. Noal Ernest Albert, born 2 February 1910, McAlester, Oklahoma +
iii. Kathryn Myrtle Albert, born 26 April 1913, Bug Tussle Community, Route 1, McAlester Oklahoma +
iv. Homer Granville Albert, born 13 May 1917, Bug Tussle Community, Route 1, McAlester Oklahoma +
v. Liberty Earl Albert, born 7 December 1920, Bug Tussle Community, Route 1, McAlester, Oklahoma +

Herewith is a brief genealogy of my mother's parents. Robert Carlton Scott was a son of the marriage of Stacy Reeves Scott and Sarah Ann Miller. He was born 10 April 1858 at Sherman, Texas. (Death Certificate, Robert Carlton Scott). Stacy Reeves Scott was a son of the marriage of Dr. Solomon Johnson Scott and Rebecca Reeves. He was born 4 November 1833 in Newport, Kentucky. (Family Records; 1850 Census, Van Buren County, Iowa; Marriage Records,

Mason County, Kentucky). Dr. Solomon Johnson scott, son of the marriage of Dr. John Gilmor Scott and Mary Johnson, was born 7 March 1798 in New York, and died 3 October 1878 in Sherman, Texas. (Family Records; tombstone inscription, Fitch Lot, West Hill Cemetery, Sherman Texas; U.S. Biographical Dictionary, Kansas Volume, page 626). Dr. John Gilmor Scott, son of the marriage of Robert Scott and Mary Gilmor were both born in Scotland. The latter, a daughter of the marriage of John Gilmor and Mary Stuart was reputedly related to the Royal Stuart Family of Scotland. (ill.)

Rebecca Reeves, wife of Dr. Solomon Johnson Scott, was a daughter of the marriage of Stacy Reeves and Sarah Lawrence, the latter being a daughter of Michael Lawrence. Stacy Reeves, born in New Jersey, was a son of John Reeves. He died in Putnam County, Indiana.

SEVENTH GENERATION - BERT RAY ALBERT (Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Bert Ray Albert, son of Granville and Mary Jane (Logsdon) Albert, was born 11 August 1891 in Krebs, Indian Territory. (Family Bible, Mary Jane Albert). He was a farmer by occupation. He died nine miles southeast of Elk City in Washita County, Oklahoma, 8 January 1963. Death was due to coronary thrombosis. He was buried 11 January 1963 in Fairlawn Cemetery, Elk City, Oklahoma. (Death certificate).

Bert Ray Albert married Zona Dilleshaw at Pauls Valley, Oklahoma. They remained in wedlock until his death.

Zona Dilleshaw (always known as Aunt Zona to me) was born in Caddo, Indian Territory in 1893, the daughter of Pete Dilleshaw, who was born in Salem, Mississippi 1 July 1874 and Josie (Bass) Dilleshaw,

who was born 30 January 1873 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Aunt Zona furnished me most of the data on her family in a letter dated 26 May 1954. Bert Ray Albert was a man small in stature, of light complexion, dark brown hair, and blue-gray eyes. He was a hard worker, a fine farmer, and a good provider of his family. He was intelligent and of strong convictions. He was loved and respected by all who knew him. He had the kind heart of his father and the tireless energy of his mother. When I was a small boy he and my father and grandfather farmed together in the Flowery Mound Community in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. We lived only a short distance from each other. Uncle Bert then moved about one half mile west of us on what was known as the Kile Tennant place, where my father and his family lived when we first moved to the Bug Tussle or Flowery Mound community. Bert Albert left Pittsburg County prior to World War II and bought a farm in Washita County, Oklahoma, about nine miles southeast of Elk City, Oklahoma. He lived on this farm until he died. His mailing address for years was Route 1, Canute, Oklahoma. He retired several years before he died. Prior to his retirement his principal business for many years had been cotton farming.

CHILDREN OF BERT RAY ALBERT AND ZONA DILLESHAW

i. Fay Albert
ii. Mary Lee Albert
iii. Charley Ray Albert
iv. Beatrice Albert
v. Julia Albert
vi. Wendell James Albert
vii. Eugene Albert

EIGHTH GENERATION - CARL BERT ALBERT (Ernest Homer, Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Carl Bert Albert, author of these papers, was the oldest son and child of the marriage of Ernest Homer Albert and Leona Ann Scott. He was born 10 May 1908 in the Bolen-Darnell Mining Camp, McAlester, Oklahoma, about two hundred yards east of the Big Bolen mine. His father was working at the mine at the time. The first four years of his biography have been published in the Chronicles of Oklahoma, the quarterly publication of the Oklahoma Historical Society and will not be repeated here. The early biographical sketch may be found in Volume LII, Number 1, Spring 1974, at page 30. The account represents my own remembrances during the first four years of my life and is autobiographical in character. It is entitled, "Recollections of My Early Life". It covers the years when my family lived in McAlester and the little community of Baker, about four miles west of McAlester and ends with our removal to a rural community about seven miles northeast of McAlester, the community known as "Bug Tussle", which has been identified with me around the country nearly all of my life.

We spent our first few nights in Bug Tussle at the teacherage. It must have been abour December 1911. My father then moved to the Kile Tennant farm which is adjacent to the farm he later bought and on which we lived for several years as our family farm. Most of the farm has been covered by Lake Eufaula, but the remainder plus the minerals are still owned by my brother, my sister, and myself. My sister, Katharyn, and I have our homes on the farm.

I remember having Christmas at the Kile Tennant house. My

mother's sister, Myrtle (Scott) Williams, was visiting us at the time. I also remember my fourth birthday taking place while we were there.

In January 1913, we moved to the old double log house where my sister was born. We lived there for four years. During the first three years, my grandfather, Granville Albert, and my father's brother, Bert Albert, farmed the place.

It was while living in the old double log house that I started to school at Bug Tussle (Flowery Mound). Mrs. Lottie Ross was my teacher. I well remember my first day. My father took me to school in a horse driven buggy. I had a little lunch pail in which my mother had placed my lunch.

When we got to school, we learned that all we were going to do was to enroll. The father of one of my friends drove me home, and we were there by 12:00 noon. My mother met me and asked me what was wrong. I cried and said, "they did not even give me time to eat my dinner".

The next day we had a reading assignment. I was to read a story about a little goat. Mrs. Ross taught me the words, and I must have read it over ten times. I took my book home with me and found that other stories had most of the same words as the goat story. So, with the help of my mother, I read until she made me eat my supper and go to bed. Within two days I had read every story in the book and had learned to count to one hundred. I had also learned simple addition. The teacher said I was too young to be promoted. So she started giving me new books, and I think I read about twenty "First Readers" my first term in school. I loved everything about the school, my books, my teacher, my school mates, and the games we played at recess.

I was very pleased when parents were invited to the school and I overheard Mrs. Ross say to my mother that I was the best student she had ever had. She was really wrong. My strength in class was not based on scholarship but on fascination about the things I was learning.

I remember the January day when we moved to the Guy McCullough Farm, about one mile west of where we were living. It was one of the stormiest days I had ever seen. A little schoolhouse, about six miles southeast of our school, was completely destroyed by a tornado. The teacher and all the children but one were killed. They were buried in a little country graveyard northeast of Krebs, Oklahoma, and dates on the tombstones tell the sad story of the tragedy that had fallen on that little community, known as Vireeton.

I finished my elementary education at Bug Tussle school where I had made my decision, after hearing our Congressman, the Honorable Charles D. Carter, speak, to have a Congressional career. I set my future goals in that direction. I finished Bug Tussle in May 1922 but was forced to drop out for a year due to a crop failure and lack of finances.

In 1923, we moved to Talawanda Heights, McAlester, Oklahoma. I entered McAlester high school where I worked hard to gain the respect of my teachers and fellow students and to do well in my school work, both academic and extracurricular. I took advantage of every possible leadership opportunity, speech activity, drama, oratory, and debate and made these my main lines of extracurricular activities.

Some of my principal academic activities included: Valedictorian; and championship in Government, and in Physics, and Declamation at

te annual meet in Southeastern State College in 1929. I succeeded in
king an alltime high, up until then, grade average in McAlester high
hool.

I took part in five plays and played the leading role in two. I
aced first in the Eastern Oklahoma dramatic reading contest.

I won second place in the State Declamation contest in 1927. I
n first place in the High School State Original Oration contest in
ne Annual High School events at the University of Oklahoma in 1926.
won first place in a state Original Oration Contest on the Constitution
n Oklahoma City in 1926 and second place in the Regional Contest at
ansas City. In 1927, I won first in both of these contests and
eceived as a reward, a trip to Europe for eight weeks. I was on the
tate Championship debate team in 1927. We went to Europe on "The
eviathan", and returned on the "United States". Our trip took us
o Paris not long after Lindberg had landed there.

Organizations to which I belonged and offices held included:
resident of the Student Body; President of the Junior Class; Home
oom President; Golden M (advanced dramatics) Club: President;
oetry Club; Romani Novi; and State and National Honor Societies.

The summer of 1927, from late May to late September, was spent
raveling in Europe, visiting in England, London, Canterbury, Oxford,
tratford-on-Avon, and a trip up the Thames. In France we visited
aris, Versailles, Turin, Biaritz, Carcassone, and Cannes. In Italy
e entered at Geno and then went to Rome, Florence, and Venice; and
n Switzerland to Geneva. We also spent a short time in Spain.

My fellow contestants who made the trip were Arturo Garcia

Formenti, Mexican and later World Champion, Dorothy Carlson, Salt Lake, American Champion, National winner; Max Lancaster, Birmingham, who died in September 1947 in Nashville, Tennessee; Aleck Loker, of Leonardtown, Maryland; Jefferson Meigher of Binghampton, New York; the late DeLisle Crawford of Oak Park, Illinois; and James Tunnel, of Wilmington, Delaware, son of a United States Senator. Of these, Max Lancaster, James Tunnel and I were all later Rhodes Scholars together at Oxford, England.

My roommate on my high school European trip was Garcia-Formenti. He and I have been friends ever since, seeing one another occasionally. He was in politics in Mexico. Later he was Cultural Attache in the Mexican Embassy in Paris, and still later head of the Mexican Tourist Bureau in Paris. I visited him in Mexico City in 1929. My wife and I visited him in the early 1950's in Mexico City and in Paris in 1959. He visited us in Washington about 1953 and a couple of times later. The last time I have seen him, up to now, was about 1967 when he came over to Baltimore to go to Johns Hopkins Hospital. He visited me on his trip while I was Majority Leader. In 1974 I visited his sister and one of his brothers in Mexico City.

In October, 1927, I entered the University of Oklahoma at Norman. My grades for my Freshman year were all A's which made me the number one member of the Freshman Honorary Society, Phi Eta Sigma. I was awarded the Leitzizer medal as Oratorical Champion of the University and a second Leitzizer medal as Most Popular Male Student. Thereafter, I won oratorical contests on the Constitution for the State, the Region, and the Nation, receiving a $1500.00 cash prize. I was also

given a free trip to Hawaii by Elks Club 99 of Los Angeles. I visited both Ohahu and the large island of Hawaii. The trip to Honolulu was from Los Angeles on the "City of Honolulu" and the return was to San Francisco on the "Malolo".

In Oklahoma University I was a member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity and many other organizations, including: Blue Key Leadership Fraternity, Congressional Club, and "Ruff Necks".

During my Senior year I was President of the Student Body. Other honors were debate, wrestling, Cadet Colonel in R.O.T.C. and Phi Beta Kappa. My last year I was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship and studied in Oxford University in England for three years receiving B.A., B.C.L., and M.A. degrees. My vacations in Europe were spent at various places, including many parts of England, France and Spain -- also Scotland, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Italy and Morocco.

In 1934 I returned to Oklahoma and lived in Oklahoma City for about four years, working first for the Federal Housing Administration and then the Sayre Oil Company. In 1948 I went to Mattoon, Illinois where I practiced law with Tom Ed Grace. I then moved to Marshall, Illinois and was in charge of the legal work in Illinois for the Ohio Oil Company, now (Marathon). I spent from June 1941 to February 1946 in the Army rising in rank from Private to Colonel, my serial number being 0-221-582.

I was stationed in Camp Polk, Louisiana; Camp Shelby, Mississippi; Washington, D.C.; Ann Arbor, Michigan; Salt Lake City, Utah; Riverside, California, and New Guinea. Then I was moved to Brisbane, Australia. While in that country I was on official missions to Townville, Canberra, Sydney, and Melbourne. We next went to Hollandia, New Guinea, thence

to Biak, New Guinea, and Leite, Phillipines, stopping in Java. My next station was in Manila with quarters in Paranaque. Later I went to Okinawa and Japan, back to Manila, and thence to New York, through the Panama Canal on the ship "West Point". I then went by train to Augusta, Georgia, where I was released and met my wife who had been a student at South Carolina University.

We then went to Columbia, South Carolina, to the home of her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wightman Greene.

I had married Mary Greene Harmon in the Lutheran Church of the Reformation in Columbia, South Carolina, while I was still stationed in Washington and while she was working there as a secretary. We were married 20 August 1942 and spent our honeymoon of two days in Charleston, South Carolina. I only had four days leave. So, we had to go on back to Washington.

After my Army service was over, Mary and I went to McAlester and visited my father and his wife, Irene, on the farm. Shortly thereafter we moved into town and took an apartment in the Bond Apartments on Adams Avenue between North Main and First Streets. I formed a legal association with the Arnote and Arnote Law Firm, and Mary was my secretary.

During Congressional filing week, I thought about taking a chance on the job I really wanted. I did make a brief tour of the District and received quite a bit of encouragement. The thing that deterred me was that many of my closest friends wanted to support Paul Stewart, the incumbent.

On the very last filing date, Paul had a heart attack and called

Dick Crutcher, his best friend in McAlester, and President of the First National Bank, and told him he was not going to run. I called together a few of my friends, and they encouraged me to make the race. We drove to Oklahoma City and I was able to file just about thirty minutes before the deadline.

Walter Arnote took over the job of helping me put my campaign organization together. I spent nearly the entire month of May organizing, and we had built us a good organization.

I then decided to go out to the farm where I spent about three days putting together the form of speech I intended to make during the campaign. I did it all sitting alone on some rocks on the side of a hill. I used neither pencil nor paper.

The next day, which was a Saturday in early June, I went to the little town of Quentin to try out my speech. It went over much better than I expected.

I then hit the campaign trail working day and night making five to ten speeches a day. I also went up and down every street, in and out of every shop, stopped at every country store, and tried to sell my candidacy to everybody who would stop to listen to me.

My main opponent was Bill Steiger of Durant. He had left the service in the fall and had been campaigning for six months. There were six in the race, but it was obvious that Steiger was ahead. However, as the campaign progressed, I could feel myself moving up. Within two weeks I was sure I was second in the race.

The Primary was July 6, and Steiger was about 2,000 votes ahead of me. Then came the Run Off. I was praying for time because I knew

I was really rolling. Finally when the Run Off arrived, it was obvious we were in a horse race. When the votes were counted and recounted, I was some 225 votes ahead. In the November election I had a Republican lady opponent. I beat her seven to one. I have never had a close race since. The last time I had an opponent, I beat him 20 to 1.

On 6 December 1946, we drove to Washington. We stayed for awhile in the Jefferson Hotel. Then we moved up to the Dorchester Apartments on 16th Street where we lived for several years.

From the very first day I loved my work in Congress. I was assigned first to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, later to Agriculture where I served fourteen years. I have also served on the Committee on House Administration, the Committee on Education and Labor, the Committee on Atomic Energy, and the Joint Committee on the Library.

While we were living at the Dorchester Apartments, our first child, Mary Frances, was born. It was on the night of 7 January 1948. She was born in the Georgetown University Hospital and nearly died her first night. She had mucous on her lungs. Dr. Frederick Burke, our pediatrician, and the little nurses at the hospital took wonderful care of her. She recovered in a few days. I was so proud when everyone was saying she was the prettiest baby in the nursery.

In 1952 we had the second hardest race we have ever had. Our opponent, a State Senator, was well financed and a good orator. For some reason, he received financial assistance from John Wayne, movie actor. We were expecting our second child, and Mary had to be taken to the hospital. She went to St. Mary's at McAlester, for a

miscarriage. This shook us up, but it did not hurt us politically. I carried every county in the District.

After the election we returned to Washington for the 82nd Congress which was Republican controlled. Eisenhower had been elected President.

After using the Dorchester Apartments for our Washington residence for about six years, we moved to an apartment on Barnady Terrace in the southeastern part of Washington. Here we met our good friends, Hal and Nell Daffer and Mike and Itsua Masoaka. Mike was the Washington representative of the Neisi Japanese soldiers who had so greatly distinguished themselves in World War II in Italy. It was while we were living on Barnaby Terrace that my son, David Ernest Albert, was born on 14 December 1954. I rushed Mary to Georgetown University Hospital and was soon notified by a nurse that I had a fine baby boy. We named him after his two grandfathers, David Henry Harmon and Ernest Homer Albert. He entertained everyone who looked in on the babies in the nursery. His arms were so strong that he could almost push himself out of his bassinet.

The new session started in January, and about the third day of the session, Majority Leader John McCormack called me and told me that he and Speaker Sam Rayburn were together and had selected me as Democratic Whip.

This was the beginning of my rise in Congress, for in January 1962, I was elected Majority Leader and in January 1971, I was elected Speaker. I served as Speaker for six years and then announced my retirement from Congress effective the end of the 94th Congress.

The Congress has been my workshop during most of my adult years. Ihave spent 30 years in the legislative business of the nation and I ve loved every minute of it. I am one person who always knew what h wanted to do and did it.

My activities have grown enormously since I came to Congress. I ed to spend about four or five months a year in my District in klahoma. Now, I am lucky to get down there for one month. My staff hs grown tremendously. I started out with one secretary, Alma Burba, w deceased.

When I became Whip, I was allowed an Administrative Assistant. ex Chaney (from Sulphur), Joe Anderson (now deceased), and Charles . Ward successively held the job. Charles ran unsuccessfully for ongress to replace me and his assistant, Mrs. Iris Adams, took his lace.

For several years now, I have had a district office in the ederal Building in McAlester, Oklahoma. William K. Anderson, my oyhood chum, and Sara Lane, once my next door neighbor, have worked n the office there for years.

I have had a large number of employees during the last thirty ears. Most of them have long since left, and I do not remember the ames of all of them.

Early staff members who have left me but whom I well remember include: Marie Mobley, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Jean Brown Bain, Dustin and Heavener, Oklahoma; and Mary Jeter. Alma Burba had been my press secretary when I campaigned for the first time. She was a graduate of McAlester High School and the School of Journalism of Missouri

University. She and her family had been long time residents of McAlester and Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. She worked for me about ten years, then married, and after a few years, she died and was buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery in McAlester. She was my only secretary when I first started out as Congressman. We had difficulty obtaining good temporary help. We actually had none until we hired Marie Mobley of Ardmore, Oklahoma, a very talented person of Chickasaw Indian blood.

I have had a number of other secretaries, summer interns, and pages, but I have not kept a list of those of the early years.

My principal staff officials since I became Whip have been Rex Chaney, Sulphur, formerly head of the UPI House Press Gallery, Administrative Assistant; Alma Burba, secretary. Rex Chaney resigned and Joseph Anderson of Hugo took his place. Joe was a half-breed Chickasaw Indian, who became Area Director, Veterans Affairs, Muskogee, Oklahoma. He was a wonderful man, severely wounded in the Battle of the Bulge in World War II. My son, David Ernest Albert, literally worshiped him. He often went to see him. Joe was a great sportsman and taught David to quail hunt and to fish. While visiting his daughter, Frances Clair, in Tehran, Iran, he suddenly died. His body was returned and shipped back to Hugo where he was buried by his son, Joseph, Jr., who had been killed in an automobile accident less than a month before he was to graduate, fourth in his class, at Oklahoma University Medical School.

Joe Anderson was succeeded by Charles Ward, who has been with me for seventeen years. He has served as my Administrative Assistant ever since. When I announced my retirement, he unsuccessfully ran for my seat, having been defeated by Wes Watkins, of Ada, Oklahoma.

When I became Majority Leader, I became entitled to a Legislative Assistant. Mike succeeded Tom but resigned after I became Speaker to go into private business, and he was succeeded by Joal Jankowsky, stepson of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Rothbaum of Tulsa. Julian has been a long-time friend of mine having grown up in Hartshorne, Oklahoma in my native Pittsburg County. He has probably helped me more in my political life over the years than any other person. He is presently my campaign committee treasurer.

I became Majority Leader in 1962 and Speaker in 1971. After becoming Speaker, I was eventually entitled to three of the top paying staff jobs in the House. My present staff leaders are Iris Adams, who took Charles L. Ward's place when he ran for Congress, Administrative Assistant; Joel Jankowsky is my Legislative Assistant; and Verneil English is my Executive Assistant. Verneil has worked for me during most of my service in Congress. She is the only person who has been with me as Third District Congressman, Whip, Majority Leader, and Speaker. She has worked closer with me than any other assistant I have ever had.

I now, as Speaker, occupy three offices, a suite from H-201 to H-206, which is my Speaker's office where I do most of my work and Verneil English presides over this office; H-209 and H-210, the Speaker's Rooms, and Joel Jankowsky presides there, and 2205 Rayburn Building, my Congressional District office, where Charles Ward and Iris Adams are in charge.

I remember several of my summer employees, and they have found

working on Capitol Hill a useful experience. I had the honor of appointing the first girl page to serve in the House. She was Felda Looper of Heavener, Oklahoma.

The House Clerk's department has furnished me with a partial list of employees, some of them going quite far back. I will list them here as they gave them to me: Iris Adams, Joseph Anderson, William K. Anderson, Eva Lois Ashmore, Jean Bain, Betty Ann Bass, Dixie Lee Bell, Alma Burba, Julia Busalachi, Loise Butler, David F. Carleton, Jan Carlton, Rex Chaney, Grace Chen, Deborah L. Cline, Serena Cooper, Jacquelyn Esther Cubero, Pierre Deponai, Geraldine Eaker, June Ellen Edmondson, Michael Elder, Verneil English, Joe Stephen Foote, Polly Ritter Garvey, Pauline Girvin, Margaret Glenn, Gwenda Green, Betty Haney, Deborah Hartnett, Leilani Henderson, Carol Konsure Howard, Imogene Holmes, Virginia Hudgins, Nancy D. Hunter, Joel Jankowsky, Mary Jeter, Shirley Jeter, Beryl John, Gladys F. Johnson, Justin R. Keiser, Tom Kenan, Tamara Kitchens Kennedy, Catherine Kennett, Robert Samuel Kerr, Kathleen K. Kwock, Sara Dean Lane, Jane E. Lawton, Cora Lee Lightfoot, Janice Lipsen, Patricia Logan, Margaret Losey, Mariann Mackenzie, Jim McClure, John Henry McIntyre, Mary Beth McNeill, Michael R. Majors, Perry Lee Margoles, Pat Meyer, Vicki Lynn Miles, Barbara Morgan, Pamela Sue Morton, Maria Mulvey, Helen L. Newman, George Irvin Nickens, Nancy Duncan Olds, Robert Peabody, Janet Peters, Kathryne J. Prewitt, Mike Reed, Hansen Rikard, David Rogers, Catherine C. Ryan, David D. Salmon, Barbara Snow, J. Gordon Stephens, Jr., Sherry Tonubbee Stewart, Susan Supernaw, Dixie Lee Talley, Sook P. Thomson, Earl Tolson,

Nancy Underwood, Charlotte A. Walsh, Charles Ward, Kathleen C. Weeks, Wanda Welch, Jesse White, Margaret Cecile Wolfe, Howard Yourman.

Here I should perhaps make a few remarks about some of my present secretaries. First of all, a Speaker is entitled to three secretaries and office space in the Federal Building in his home town. Loise Butler of Hugo, Oklahoma, and Sara Lane, of McAlester, Oklahoma, have agreed to work in my former Speaker's office.

Shirley Jeter has been working for me full time ever since she graduated from Park College in Missouri. She was the youngest person ever to work in my office as a Summer Intern when she graduated from the ninth grade. She is the youngest daughter of Ella Mae Jeter, who has worked for my wife more than twenty-one years. She has practically reared my children, Mary Frances and David, who love her as a second mother. Shirley has become a fine secretary. She has been a wonderful little friend to me nearly all of her life.

I should also mention one of my dearest, smartest secretaries, Tamara Kitchens Kennedy. She came to Washington as a high school girl, and we have been the closest of friends ever since. She had the combined assets of looks and intelligence. I know her family well and have visited in their home in Ada, Oklahoma. Tammy and Debbie Kline were good friends, and I hired Debbie through Tammy's suggestion.

I shall now list, as I remember them, my dwelling places since I became a Member of Congress. During the summer of 1947, I purchased a home at 827 East Osage in McAlester, Oklahoma. That has been our only real home since we were married. We sold it last summer and bought a new home from M. R. M. Noblitt on October 1, 1976, out on

dr old home farm on Route 2, McAlester, Oklahoma. It is about one hndred yards east of the home of my sister, Mrs. Katharyn Albert Peacock. We will move into it when we leave Washington. We bought it for our children, Mary Frances and David.

I shall now list most of the places where we have lived in ashington since coming to Congress in December 1946. We were in he Jefferson Hotel until March 1947, then moved to the Dorchester ouse, 2480 16th Street, N.W. We lived there for about five years hen we moved to an apartment at 800 Barnaby Street, S.E., Washington. hen on June 29, 1955, we bought a little house from Anthony P. lfino in Montgomery County, Maryland, just off Wisconsin Avenue xtended, D.C. The address of this house was 5115 Allen Terrace, ashington, D.C.

When Mary Frances was about ten years old we sold the house and rented another on Cathedral Avenue, near the Washington Cathedral School. We followed this by sending David to the Bouvoir Nursery School on the Cathedral grounds the next September. We later moved to a house we rented from Congressman George Andrews on Reno Road just one house South of Chesapeake Avenue on the west side of the street. We lived there until I had a heart attack in September 1966. We then moved to an apartment at 4000 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.; and finally to our present apartment in the Chatham Apartments, Room 803, 4501 Arlington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia.

Now I would like to summarize my travel experiences as a Member of Congress. As a student and as a Rhodes Scholar and on miscellaneous other occasions, including World War II, I had the opportunity to

tavel considerably before going to Congress. Since being in the
Iuse, I have taken several personal trips to Mexico and the
Crribean areas. While I have had some marvellous official trips as
aCongressman, I have shunned junkets, and all of my Government trips,
ccept the first one, have been official and most of them quite
iportant.

We took our first trip when Mary Frances was three years old.
t came during the Christmas season and had long been a favorite with
Ongressmen. It was a very slow and relaxing boat trip. I like to
lay bridge, and plenty of opportunity for the pastime was afforded
n the junket.

We spent several days in the Canal Zone, going to both the
tlantic and Pacific sides. We also went over into Panama City and
tayed at the Hilton Hotel which, as usual, was quite nice. All in
ll, it was a very pleasant trip.

I went for several years after that without taking any Government
rips. In 1959, I was a member of the House Committee on Agriculture
nd was Chairman of the Subcommittee on Wheat. Chairman Cooley
equested John Heimberger, our Committee Counsel, and me, to take a
staff group to Europe to study the effects of the Common Market, which
was then in the process of formation, upon American agricultural
markets in Western Europe. Congressman Cooley also authorized me
to go to Spain, Israel, and Jordan to review our Public Law 466
program. This was the program under which we were selling surplus
agricultural goods to weaker nations for local currency. We left
the currency on deposit in the nations concerned and used it for

purchases and for expenses of Government officials in those nations.

Mary and I flew ahead of the Committee, stopping at the Azores and then flying on into Madrid. The Agricultural Attache there was a very good one and he showed us around the countryside on certain projects. We also had time to visit and tour Madrid. We were put up in the Hilton Hotel there. We had flown by Military Aircraft from New York to Madrid. We then went by private airlines first to Rome then by the Grecian Line owned by Onassis, to Athens. On the way to Athens, we had a very good visit to Rome. We had dinner with Paul Stewart's (my predecessor) step-daughter in Rome. In Athens, we were able to visit and spend some time with our friends, Ruth and Leonard Greenup. We saw the historic sites in Athens and also in other areas.

From Athens we went to Tel-A-Viv. The Israelis gave us a marvellous chaufferred tour all over Israel, from the upper Jordan, Sea of Gallilee, and Nazareth south to Jerusalem and on into Jordan to Bethlehem. We saw practically all of the sites associated with the origin of Christianity.

We also met many top Government officials. Teddy Kalip gave us a dinner in Jerusalem. Then we went back to Tel-A-Viv where we first saw and had dinner with Ambassador and Mrs. Ogden Reid, the latter a later colleague of mine in the House. Then came the highlight of our trip to the Mid East. We spent most of an evening alone talking to Prime Minister and Mrs. Bengurian.

After leaving Israel, we flew to Frankfort to meet our study group. We then went to Bonn and met the American Ambassador, the

Agricultural Attache and various German officials. We then went to Colon and to Nuremberg. Next came a bus trip up the Rhine to Basil via Heidelberg. We stopped at various wine factories and met some of the leading wine makers and shippers in the country and discussed the matter of foreign exchange with them.

We spent a good part of a day with an old German grape farmer. The farm had been in his family since the 1300's. We had lunch with him and his family. He had framed on the wall the picture of a son who had been killed during World War II. He also had a letter from Hitler complimenting him and his family for making such fine contributions to German agriculture over so many centuries.

We next went to Basil, Switzerland where we had talks with the American Ambassador. We then went to Innsbrook Austria, through the Alps, thence to Veronica and Rome, Italy.

From Italy we flew to Paris, where we met an outstanding agricultural attache. He gave us a good summary of the prospects in Paris. While there, I was able to look up my old Mexican friend of high school days who had traveled with me to Europe in 1927, Arturo Garcia Formenti. He was now in the Mexican Embassy in Paris where he was serving as Cultural Attache. Mary and I had visited him a few years before in his home in Mexico City. I also tried to look up an old Oxford classmate, Vala Zetlin, son of an exiled Russian, who lived at 11 Rue Nicolo when Max Lancaster and I visited Paris in December 1931. The place had been taken over as a convent, and one of the nuns told me she thought the people who had formerly lived there had moved to London. More about this later.

From Paris we went to Brussels and then to Amsterdam. We found the Dutch to be very progressive and fine trading partners. We were warned that they would always beat you if you did not keep your eyes open. They had an old saying: "When it's commerce, you can't beat the Dutch for giving too little and asking too much."

From Holland we went to London where we spent several days. Having finished our business, I decided to look up some of my old Oxford friends. First, I looked in the London telephone directory and sure enough, there was the listing, "Vala Zetlin". I called the number and was answered by a lady. She said she had been the wife of Vala Zetlin, but he and most of his family had moved to New York. To finish this part of the story, I located his telephone number when I got back to Washington. I rang him and he was elated to hear from me. He was a psychiatrist, married, and had one daughter. They came down to see us right away. His wife was very sweet and charming, half Belgian and half Phillipino. His little girl was about as pretty and intelligent as they come. The wife said we should get her and David together when they got older.

While at Oxford as a student, my study mate was a young red head named George Done. I looked for him in the telephone directory, but he was not listed. There were only a few Done listings; so I went down the list searching for a relative. I soon found one of his brothers. He told me George was practicing law in Great Missenden, and he gave me his telephone number. George was elated, and he said that I could not have called at a more appropriate time. Our college, St. Peters, was having its annual reunion in London that night, and

he was getting ready to go. I went and saw at least half of my old class mates.

George then invited us to come to his house the next day, called "Carmel", near Great Missenden and said we would then go on to Oxford.

The Embassy furnished us a limousine. We had no trouble finding his delightful house, surrounded by a large, beautiful green garden. We met his wife and two little boys who were amused beyond end at Mary's accent. We then went to Oxford and headed straight for St. Peter's. The old College Porter recognized me at once. We went to my old quarters which were exactly as I had left then twenty-five years before except for a little wear and tear. They had been used by English Army girls during the War and my desk was stained up a little from flat irons.

The only disappointing thing about our visit to Oxford was that only one month before my old tutor, C.H.S. Fifoot had retired, sold his home, and moved to the sea front. I got his address, wrote him, and corresponded with him occasionally until he died not long ago. My letter on his obituary to the London Times was printed as a part of his memoirs.

We returned to New York on the S.S. United States. We made the trip in four days and broke all records. I was sick half of the time, but Mary never missed a meal.

My next official trip abroad came in 1960 as a tour set up by the Army for Army Reserve officers. We flew to Torrejon Air Force Base, were entertained in Madrid by both American and Spanish officers. We then flew to Frankfort and on down into Bavaria on the Czech

border where we observed American and German troops in maneuveurs.

From Germany we flew to Ankara, Turkey, and inspected some of our military installations in that area. Next we went to Cairo and had exchanges with our Army Attache and Egyptian Defense personnel. We flew back from Cairo, stopping at Cyprus and Malta. While in Cairo, we went out and visited the Pyramids, and I had a camel back ride for a couple of dollars paid to an Arab.

In October 1963, by appointment of President Kennedy, Mary, Mary Frances and I were sent on a delegation to Buenos Aires to represent the United States in the inaugural ceremonies of President Ilia, the last elected President of the Republic. Here we had a very fine visit, and my knowledge of Spanish came in very handy.

The next official trip was to Manila via Okinawa. I went as a member of the Becker Committee appointed by President Johnson to hear Philippine veterans claims. Carlos Albert (no relation), a Philippine Army Colonel, who had formerly served as attache in Washington, took me on a tour. We went to Pranaque and tried to find my old quarters on Vista del Mar on Manila Bay but we were unable to locate it. On the way back to the United States, we had a fine rest stop in Honolulu.

At the request of the Korean Government and on designation by Speaker John McCormack, I led a group of Congressmen as guests of the Korean Assembly going via Japan. The Koreans sent a similar delegation in 1970, and we had a return trip in 1971. Our wives went with us on this trip. We visited the troops, both American and Korean, on the North Korean line, and I had a long visit with an old Oxford friend, "Tic" Bonesteel, then a four star general, and supreme U.N. Commander

in the East Pacific. From Seoul, we flew to Taipei and were guests of the Yuan, their legislative assembly. The President of the Assembly and I were to exchange greetings. The Embassy prepared me a short speech. However, this was at the time President Nixon was establishing contacts with and making a trip to the People's Republic of China. As a result, when the President of the Assembly arose, he was bitterly critical of the new American foreign policy and said: "Nixon is making a fool of himself". I threw my prepared script away and spoke for about twenty minutes in defense of the United States and our foreign policy. My colleagues congratulated me on my effort.

While in Seoul, we visited the beautiful island of Taiwan. We were invited out to lunch by Generalissimo and Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek and had a long visit with these fine people.

We flew to Manila via Okinawa where we met with a group requesting an official visit with us. They were pleading for us to free them to rejoin Japan.

In Manila, we were given the royal treatment especially by Mrs. Marcos, an extraordinary woman. She entertained us with groups of local dancers. She took Mary and me on a shopping tour. After I told her of my previous trip and inability to find my old World War II quarters, she took me directly to them, pointed them out to me, and introduced me to the wife of the Minister of Agriculture who was then occupying them. The Marcos family owned a nearby house.

While in Manila, we were guests of the President and Mrs. Marcos in the Presidential Palace, the Malacanyang. Two of my secretaries, Imogene Holmes and Tammy Kitchens were also invited. This, thank

goodness, was before martial law was thought of in the Philippines.

In May 1974, I flew to Mexico City with Secretary Kissinger. We attended a Pan American gathering, and the Secretary made quite an impression. One afternoon, we had a delightful luncheon with some Mexican delegates and their wives. The Speaker became very fond of me because I was the only one who spoke Spanish. They called on me for a speech. I used English the first half and Spanish the second half. It seemed to make a hit with the ladies because they told President Echeverria about it. We visited him after lunch in the Presidential Palace.

1975 and 1976 were the years of my most outstanding professional travel. During the Easter vacation in 1975, Minority Leader John Rhodes, our wives, and members of our staff went to the People's Republic of China. We landed at Shanghai and then had to change to Russian aircraft to fly on to Peking. It was a most impressive capital city. The ancient architecture, pottery and art of Imperial China was seen in many places. We also visited the "Great Wall" and were told that it was the only man made object on earth which the astronauts could see from the Moon. We visited many important leaders, including the Foreign Minister and President of the Congress. We were also dined with delicious food every night. We next went to Shanghai where we were shown industries, farm neighborhoods, and schools, all under the control of revolutionary central committees. We were well fed, and everything was clean. The Communists have really cleaned up Shanghai and eliminated its crime centers.

We flew from Shanghai to Canton. The same entertaining process

went on there. We also visited a hospital. We saw wide use of acupuncture. We were also amazed at the surgical jobs that were being done on dismembered arms and fingers.

Near Canton we visited a lake which had been built by the farmers of the area. It was a multi-purpose reservoir, furnishing domestic water, irrigation, and hydro-electric power.

From Canton we went by train to Hong Kong, where incidentally, Mary and my Korean group had stopped in 1971. The girls all did some shopping there, and we then flew to Honolulu to rest a couple of days on Wakiki Beach. From there it was back to America.

In August I also headed a trip of Congressmen to the Soviet Union. This was the second half of an exchange we had had with the Russians.

Our first stop was at Copenhagen, Denmark, where I was able to find Lilimor and Dea Thorngreene in whose parent's home I had spent the summer of 1933 while a student at Oxford. Lilimor is Mrs. Ralph Hornbeck, whose husband is a physician. They have a lovely family of children, and we visited them in their beautiful home. Dea is Mrs. Erling Jarner. We all had a delightful dinner and reunion in a country restaurant north of Hellerny.

We next visited Leningrad where our hosts met us. We visited the unknown soldier's tomb and saw many of the ruins still visable in the hardest hit city in World War II.

From Leningrad it was to Moscow. We visited the Kremlin, the most elegant and lavish capital building in the world. We also saw Lenin lying in his open sarcophogus. He was so white he scarcely looked like he had ever lived.

Our next stop was at Yalta of post World War II fame. We had a delightful time there and were pleased to meet Brezhnev and many of his cabinet and leading associates in his summer home and office. He lives in splendor. It was great talking with his matchless bilingual interpretor whom I had met when Brezhnev had visited President Nixon in Washington.

We then went to Bucharest and traveled around Romania, one of the most romantic countries in the Near East. They are the only Eastern Europeans whose language is of Latin origin.

We went then down to the coast where we met President Chochesceau, my official, who had been by my office the year before and extended me the invitation to visit his country with a delegation of Congressmen.

After Romania it was Yugoslavia, the most western country in Eastern Europe and the most independent. We visited Belgrade and various other places, including in our visit a trip to Tito's summer home. The old strong man had been in my office three years before and extended the invitation. He was jovial, alert, and obviously in command. We also visited the ancient walled city of Dubrovnik on the coast of the Adriatic, which in my opinion is the most beautiful sea shore on earth. We then flew back to America.

My next official trip was Easter 1976. My itinerary included Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iran, and Spain. I stopped at Cairo and caught a Saudi Arabian plane. I visited our Ambassador in Juddah. I had previously met him in Korea. I then went to Riyedh where I met the King, Crown Prince, and most of the royalty in the world's richest oil country.

My next stop was in tiny but wealthy Kuwait. I was the guest of the Speaker of the House, a smart and friendly little man. He put me up in the largest hotel suite I ever saw. Kuwait is clean, growing, and modern. It is strictly Arabic and Mohammedan. Prohibition is not only observed but enforced there.

Next we flew to Iran. We went through the southern country and saw the stunning remains of the old capital of the Persian Empire. My next stop was one of the most pleasant I ever made, Tehran. My official host was the Speaker. But he brought along with him the youngest member of the Parliament, Vida Deuvdi, to be my chaperon. She had asked to be my chaperon. She greeted me as I left the plane and said, "I would have known you anywhere" in perfect American English.

She asked me if I remembered making a campaign speech for Congressman Mel Price in Belville, Illinois. I told her I did. Then she asked if I remembered meeting with a political science class working on their Doctorates. They had come over from Southern Illinois University with the hope of talking to me about the nuts and bolts of Congressional campaigning in America. I was delighted to meet with the class. She told me she had taken copious notes and had gone back to Iran to run for Parliament using exactly the techniques I had given her. She was a great hostess. I visited all the principal officials of Iran with her, also did some shopping, and saw the sights. She took me around in the most luxurious car I had ever seen, a maroon Mercedes Benz, with extra seats already in place and television set in between them. The follow up on this is that in late summer, she came to Washington with a group of women leaders from Europe and the Middle East. She headed

straight for my office. I took her out to my apartment where she met Mary and David and had dinner with us at Trader Vic's.

From Tehran I flew to Granada, Spain, stopping briefly in Munich. While on the flight I received a telegram from King Juan Carlos inviting me to come to Madrid and spend some time with him at his castle. He was scheduled to address a joint meeting of the Congress in June and had been advised that I would present him. He wanted to talk to me about what to expect. I took him up after Granada and had a long and fruitful visit with him.

My stay in Granada was wonderful. I had always liked to go down there in the early 30's when I was a student at Oxford. I used to stay at the Pension America, which is still there. I visited the same landlady who was a bride when I first met her in 1932. She has since reared two sons who are married and gone. Her husband is deceased. She drove me around some of my old hang outs, the Albaicin, Gypsy Quarters, etc. I was disappointed that the old Gypsy caves had been modernized.

From Granada I flew to Torrejon Air Base and on back to America.

In June I had another delightful trip. I headed the delegation that went to England to accept the Magna Carta. We were the guests of the Parliament. We visited the Queen Mother, the Duke of Marlborough at Belnheim, and Oxford. A bust of me was unveiled while I was at St. Peter's College.

The British returned the visit and presented the Magna Carta to us for a loan of one year as their principal contribution to our Bicentennial anniversary. Their visit was followed by one from the Queen and Prince Philip. I had a delightful visit in my office with

Elizabeth II, and we gave her a luncheon in Statuary Hall in the Capitol.

Most of my private visits since coming to Congress have been in Mexico and the Carribean. These were encouraged as frequently as I could make them by my doctor after my heart attack in 1966. I have not done much traveling of this kind during the last few years of my Speakership.

I made one private trip to England with my good friend Julian Rothbaum, about three years ago. He set up an award in my honor at St. Peter's College. It is given annually. A similar award is given at the University of Oklahoma and at McAlester High School.

It is not the purpose of this paper to go into important aspects of my Congressional career. However, a few highlights might be in order.

I came in the 80th Congress and was sworn in with John Fitzgerald Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon on January 3, 1947. This was the Congress which launched President Truman's post World War II foreign policy. I supported the Greek-Turk Loan, the Marshall Plan, and all other foreign policy recommendations of the President.

In the next Congress I supported the Technical Assistance Program recommended by President Truman in Point Four of his Inaugural Address.

In my early years I started on a path which led ultimately to my membership in the Leadership of the House. I learned the names of every Member of the House before the first of February. I also learned the names of all Senators. I spent practically every moment of every day for the entire term on the House Floor and listened to all speeches and votes. I began to sense the character of the various Members. I knew who was really bright and who was not so bright; I learned the sincere and the less sincere, the workers and the loafers. Before the end of

the first session, I could come within ten votes of predicting any House vote. I began to sense where the mainstream of my Democratic colleagues ran. Both practically and idealogically, I was about as near the consensus as possible. I watched votes affecting my District and went with them on all the little ones or practical ones. I wanted to represente my people, but I also wanted to be a national Congressman. When big issues or moral issues were at stake, I voted my conscience and the national interest oblivious of the political effects.

I supported a strong defense, the containment doctrine, the Korean and Vietnam wars, until the latter became a hopeless jumble. I also later supported Nixon's China visit. I thought the time had come to crack the iron and the bamboo curtains.

In the 60's, in spite of large volumes of mail against the Public Accommodations Act and the Voting Rights Act, I supported them and all other Civil Rights votes. I was Majority Leader and actively supported the Great Society enacted during the 89th Congress.

I had a personal commitment to Civil Rights programs and adopted an anti-discrimination policy in my office. I had Blacks, Whites, Reds, and Yellows, Jews, Gentiles, Protestants, Catholics, and Mormons, all on my payroll at the same time.

I supported broad reforms of the House as Speaker. As Chairman of the Steering and Policy Committee, I helped launch an era of reform greater than anything that had been known since the overthrow of Joe Cannon. I supported a stronger and more open caucus, more open committees, and more input by younger Members. During my Speakership, I strongly supported all measures halting executive intrusion on

legislative powers.

During my Speakership we passed the War Powers Act and the Budget and Impoundment Control Act. We began a process of modernization by adopting an electronic voting system.

The resignations of Vice President Agnew and President Nixon was a new thing in our nation's history. This gave me the responsibility of breaking ground never plowed before.

This was the first time the 25th Amendment to the Constitution was ever implemented.

Every decision made in the entire matter was my own, and they will be cited as precedents on this subject every time it arises.

First, Agnew came to my office and said the Justice Department was harrassing him, and he thought the White House was in on it, too. He asked me to set up a select committee to air the entire case. He used John Calhoun's request as a precedent. I asked him if he wanted to talk to the Majority Leader and Minority Leader as he talked to me. He said he wanted to talk to me first. When Agnew left, Attorney General Richardson called me and said they were taking Agnew to the Grand Jury and he believed he would be indicted.

I called Peter Rodino, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. He and his lawyer came over and advised me they had never investigated a case over which the Courts had jurisdiction. While, of course, Rodino's committee had never had a case involving a Vice President, I advised Mr. Agnew that we would not take his case over until the Courts had concluded the matter.

Upon Agnew's resignation, I was immediately surrounded by Secret Service. I was de facto acting Vice President, one heart-beat away

from the Presidency, surrounded night and day by a squad of Secret Service agents. All my mail was electronically checked. My calls from the Administration increased. In addition, I was burdened with the implementation of the 25th Amendment.

Nixon began a survey in the Congress and the country for the name of the person he would send up for confirmation. He also called to the White House Senator Majority Leader and me and told us of how he interpreted his responsibilities. He said he believed the country expected him to send up the name of a Republican and he was so advising his party leaders. He then said he would be glad to have recommendations from Mansfield and me. He asked me, and I responded that I did not think so. Mansfield said he had two names, former Secretary of State, William Rogers, or former Senator Cooper of Kentucky. I then responded that if Mike was going to make a suggestion, I would also. The President asked, "Who are you thinking about, Jerry Ford?" I answered, "Yes, he would be by far the easiest to get confirmed by the House."

He sent Ford's name up. I referred the nomination to the Committee on the Judiciary. This was a case of first instance and established a Congressional precedent. Some of my more active colleagues thought I should set up a tough select committee dominated by a majority of Democrats who would want to take over the Presidency and would not confirm Ford. With impeachment proceedings beginning to hang over the head of Nixon, I could have stolen the Presidency for myself. I refused to do so because it would clearly have been a violation of the spirit of the 25th Amendment. I like Ford, had long since set the Speakership as a life-long goal and had attained it. I wanted my career to be

legislative. I realized, of course, that the duties of the Presidency might fall on my head, and I had no fear of them. I was ready for the job, better prepared, I am sure, than Ford was. Some newspaper and media commentators interpreted my actions as founded on fear or on an actual distaste for Presidential service. This, of course, was sheer nonsense. I realized the personal glory of serving as President and its historical significance to my country, my family, and me, but I tried to do my duty as I saw it, and I had already been honoured enough any way. I had attained the position in life toward which I had aimed since I was a boy.

Next came impeachment, and the same cries went up from many of my Democratic colleagues. We had one precedent here, and that was the Andrew Johnson case where a select committee was used, and quick work was made of Johnson. The Senate, taking a more judicial attitude, refused conviction, but only by one vote.

Then came Rockefeller and his confirmation. It took much longer than Ford's because of his complicated political and financial background. However, my job of referring the nomination was easier. I simply used the Ford precedent and sent it to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On October 2, 1976, I sounded the gavel on the sine die adjournment of the 94th Congress. This meant that, barring an unexpected call of a special session by the President, my work as presiding officer of the House had been finished. I would remain as Speaker until midnight January 2, 1977. My staff then had the laborious job of packing my files to go to the University of Oklahoma, sending large numbers of books to the University, and various colleges and high schools in my

District. It also meant getting ready to go through the ordeal of moving back to our new home on Route 2, McAlester, and to my retired Speaker's office in the Federal Building in McAlester. I had been using this office for years as my Third Congressional District office. The Speaker's office in Washington had to be ready to turn over to the new Speaker on January 3, 1977. I would have to spend January in Washington closing out my accounts with the Government, getting my retirement set up, preparing my income tax papers, and saying good-bye to Congress.

As I write, my two children are in Universities. My wonderful daughter, Mary Frances, is in graduate work at Duke University in Divinity School. She is in her second year. She received a $1,500.00 scholarship for her first year as the number one student of her class. She made five A's and three A-'s.

Before going to Duke, she had graduated with a B.A. degree from Rice University at Houston, Texas. She studied Mechanical Engineering there and in her third year, spend one semester at the University of Oklahoma. She went back to Rice and switched to Religion and other areas which had become her real interest. Upon graduation, she was immediately called by the principal of her old high school, the National Cathedral School of Washington, D.C. She taught Algebra and Religion courses. She shifted eventually entirely to religious and related courses. She spent four years as a teacher of National Cathedral School, then she decided to go on with advanced studies.

We had started Mary Frances' school work in a very haphazard way, giving her the first semester each year in the Washington school, Second Ward, in McAlester, and the second semester in public schools in the

Washington area.

National Cathedral School had been highly recommended to us as the best school in Washington. We talked to Mary Frances, and she was delighted to try it. We applied and she was accepted, but we were warned that most public school transferees had to be put back a year, and that she would be tested by a psychologist to see if she was ready to go on as a fourth grade student. This made her very nervous, and she hardly slept any the night before her test. The next day after the test was over, we were called and told that the psychologist said she was one of the brightest students she had ever examined. All of us were delighted. She went on to graduate from elementary school, then to high school where she earned twenty solid credits including some summer work she had done in St. Albans School. We were proud to be at her graduation and hear the principal, a stern lady, Miss Lee, call her name as one of the six students who were graduating cum laude. How could a father fail to be proud of such a daughter. (This was written in my Speaker's Office, November 29, 1976).

The Washington Cathedral, probably the finest church in America, stands gloriously on St. Albans Hill on grounds lying off the intersection of Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues. It is presided over by Dean Sayre, grandson of Woodrow Wilson, and the family resemblance is striking. He is a fine speaker and preacher. The School in under the jurisdiction of the Episcopal Church. On its grounds it has three of the finest schools in the nation, Beauvoir for children under the fourth grade, National Cathedral for girls from the fourth grade through high school, St. Albans. It also has a college of preachers.

David started to nursery school when he was less than four years

old. He did not do much better than average through the first three grades, and the school advised me that there was some question whether David could enter the Upper School which begins with the fourth grade, but he made it. One day, he surprised me by telling me he was in the fourth grade wrestling match. I had never suspected it, but it came about naturally because there had been lots of good amateurs in our family. I have been told that Eli Albert, my great-grandfather, was an unbeatable country wrestler. My father was a good wrestler and the strongest man I ever knew for his size. His brother, Bert, was very small but exceptionally strong and the best baseball player in the neighborhood. He was extremely quick. We have a distant relative who was once a champion wrestler, my great-grandfather's grand nephew.

By the time he was in the Upper High School at St. Albans, David became one of the best wrestlers in the Washington-Virginia-Maryland area, winning many matches and tournaments, and the most knowledgeable wrestler on the team. He was awarded a large special wrestling plaque upon graduation.

David loves his wrestling. He has carried it on at Harvard where he has made Varsity letters during his sophomore and junior years. (Now as a senior (November 1976) he expects to have his best year.)

David is also an all around athlete. His school gave him the chance to participate in lots of sports. He is a good golfer and loves the game. He has a life-long habit of taking care of his body. He lifts weights, runs and does all sorts of body builders every day. Both his high school and college wrestling coaches have told me he is one of the most conscientious trainers they have ever had. He is

early for practice and never misses one unless more important school work demands it. He made the Eastern Finals and the Olympic Trials in wrestling at the end of his junior year.

He has had several minor accidents. The only major one was a torn ligament which required a knee operation. Despite this, it has been worth it. He has learned to take care of his body and not to indulge in habits which weaken it. He is twenty-one years old, but does not drink, smoke, or use marijuana or any other harmful drug.

The thing about David's academic work that has pleased us has been his steady improvement year by year. He did well in high school and improved every term. He graduated with a fine grade average, making scores on his national board high enough to be accepted at Harvard which was always one of his goals. He has majored in Government and has still taken all pre-med requirements. He passed the National Medical School Boards at the end of his junior year, which was his best year. He brought home 3 A's and one B. He has better than a B+ average and is (November 1976) now an applicant for a Rhodes Scholarship. He will also take the Law Boards and will have a choice of the two most coveted professional schools.

My wife, Mary, was born in Columbia, South Carolina, 23 October 1920. Her mother died when she was eight days old. She was taken by her grandmother, Caroline Strange. Her father was not happy about the care her grandmother gave her. So he took her away and caught a train to Columbia, South Carolina. During the train trip, he met Mrs. Wightman Greene of Columbia, who helped him take care of her. Her father, David Henry Harmon, was so pleased with the way Mrs. Greene

handled his baby daughter that he asked her to take her and take care of her for a fee. Mrs. Greene took her home and told her husband that Mr. Harmon wanted them to keep Mary. Mr. Greene protested. The next morning, however, he got up and held Mary and fell in love with her. They raised her even though they already had their own family of five children. The youngest of the four girls, Frances, simply adored Mary, and the love was reciprocal. After I had proposed to Mary that we get married, Mary would not give me an answer until Frances came up and met me and was shortly all for the idea.

When Mary finished high school in Columbia, she went to work for the telephone company, saved her salary, and then took a business course. On completing it, she went to Washington where she received a secretarial job in the Air Judge Advocate's office. I was assigned to the same office as a second Lieutenant in March 1942, and we met there. After a few weeks, we fell in love and started going out together regularly. It was not long before we were engaged. I asked Colonel Snodgrass, the Air Judge Advocate for time off to get married to Mary Harmon. He was taken by surprise, but finally he agreed to let me off for four days, saying he could spare no more time. We went to Columbia on a crowded war time train, got married by Pastor Bolick of the Lutheran Church of Reformation and then went to Charleston for our honeymoon. We returned to Washington, where Mary continued working for a short while. She then quit and entered George Washington University where she went until I was sent overseas. During the time I was in the Pacific, Mary went home to her foster family in South Carolina and attended the University of South Carolina.

Mary had obtained her job in Washington before the war. She made only $120.00 per month. The depression was still on, and Government

salaries were low. Yet she sent $20.00 every month home to her foster mother.

When I got out of the Army, I was released at Augusta, Georgia. Mary met me there. We then went to McAlester, Oklahoma, out on my father's farm. My father, Ernest Homer Abert, dearly loved Mary. She was his kind of people.

We have spent most of the rest of our years living a Congressional family's life. During the early years of our service after the children were born, we had to go back and forth between McAlester and Washington. While in the Congressional recess, I had the job of constantly accepting engagements over the District. This was hard on Mary. After Mary Frances started to school, Mary had to spend her time with the children. She would spend the first semester in McAlester and the second in Washington regardless of where I was. That was one of the reasons why we put Mary Frances in the National Cathedral School. Still, Mary would have to stay in Washington alone with the children if Congress adjourned in the Fall. This responsibility changed as we grew older and Congress kept longer sessions. By then, however, the children were beginning to graduate from high school, and my presence was less needed. Also, Mary could go with me if we had a fairly long recess.

I have always had hobbies. School was like a hobby for me. I also took an early interest in chess, checkers, bridge, and genealogy.

Mary did not know much about her blood relatives, as her father disliked most of them. So, except for her Uncle William Strange, she saw very little of them while she was growing up. However, after we married, I began looking up her uncles and aunts, and writing down

everything they could give me. It was obvious that her people on both sides of her family had lived for more than 150 years in South Carolina.

Her pedigree, as we have it in Our Family Bible is the result of my efforts. Her father, David Henry Harmon, was the son of Monroe Harmon and Caroline Lowman, both born in South Carolina, David Henry Harmon in Lexington County. Monroe Harmon was the son of Reuben Harmon and Louisa Rauch. Reuben Harmon was the son of Godfrey Harmon and Sallie Earhart. Louisa Rauch was the daughter of Michael Rauch; we do not have her mother's name.

Caroline Lowman was the daughter of David Lowman and Elizabeth Rauch. Elizabeth Rauch was a daughter of Michael Rauch. Mary is, therefore, descended from Michael Rauch in two lines. We do not know the names of the parents of David Lowman.

Mary's mother, Mary Isabelle Strange, was a daughter of Thomas William Strange and Caroline Elizabeth Frost. Thomas William Strange was a son of Henry James Thomas Strange and Charlotte Dinkins. We do not know the Christian name of the father of Henry James Thomas Strange. His mother's name was Phoebe Sowden.

Caroline Elizabeth Frost was a daughter of Daniel Henry Frost. We have nothing further on her ancestry.

In my own pedigree, this Albert history carries all I have on my direct Albert lines. I have considerable data on collateral members of the family.

My father, Ernest Homer Albert, was a son of Granville Albert and Mary Jane Logsdon. Granville was the son of Eli Albert and Sophia Chaffin. Olive Peterson and others including myself have written an abbreviated history of our branch of the Chaffin family.

Sophia Chaffin was a daughter of Elias Chaffin and Nancy Meador. We have not been able to identify Nancy Meador's parents. Elias Chaffin was a son of Abner Chaffin, but we are not sure of his mother's name.

Eli Albert was a son of Jacob Albert and Patsy Young. We do not know the name of the mother of Patsy Young, but her father was Samuel Young, a Pennsylvania and Virginia Revolutionary War soldier. My daughter, Mary Frances, became a member of the Children of the American Revolution on his service.

Jacob Albert was a son of Simon Albert and Mary Gregor. We have no information on Mary Gregor's family. Simon Albert was a son of Michael Albert. His mother's christian name was Margaret, but we do not know her family name. We have pointed out above that Michael Albert was probably a son of William Albert.

Mary Jane Logsdon was a daughter of Dennis Logsdon, Jr. and Lydia Ann Ash. Dennis Logsdon, Jr. was a son of Dennis Logsdon, Sr. and Levica Self. We have unproven evidence that Dennis Logsdon, Sr. was a son of Thomas Logsdon. We have definite proof that Levica Self was a daughter of John Self of South Carolina.

Lydia Ann Ash was a daughter of Elias Ash and Sarah McClain (McLean). We do not have proof of the name of the parents of Elias Ash. Sarah McClain was a daughter of Abner McClain and Nancy Rogers, daughter of Jesse Rogers.

Leona Ann Scott, wife of Ernest Homer Albert, was a daughter of Robert Carlton Scott and Sarah Margaret Frantz. Robert Carlton Scott was a son of Stacy Reeves Scott and Sarah Ann Miller. Stacy Reeves Scott was a son of Dr. Solomon Johnson Scott and Rebecca Reeves. Dr.

Solomon Johnson Scott was a son of Dr. John Gilmor Scott and Mary Johnson. Dr. Johnson Gilmor Scott was born in Nova Scotia and was a son of Robert Scott of Scotland and Mary Gilmor. Mary Gilmor was a daughter of John Gilmor and Mary Stewart. The latter is mentioned in various old family data as well as printed genealogies. Mary Stewart by long tradition was a relative of the Pretender, Bonnie Charles Stewart.

Rebecca Reeves was a daughter of Stacy Reeves and Sarah Lawrence. Stacy Reeves was a son of John Reeves. Sarah Lawrence was a daughter of Michael Lawrence, a Revolutionary patriot. My cousin, Margaret Hicks nee Williams, a daughter of my mother's sister, and her three daughters are members of the Daughters of the American Revolution on his service.

Sarah Ann Miller is a daughter of Philip Miller and Mary Agee. Philip Miller was a son of John Miller of York County, Pennsylvania, and according to family tradition of Pennsylvania German descent. He died at Peculiar, Missouri.

The Agee Family, all of whom descend from Matthiew Agee, one of the French Huguenot families who immigrated to Virginia in the late 1600's and early 1700's, has been worked on by several people. The late Dr. Purl Agee, of Independence, Missouri, published a book on the family history, and all of Matthiew Agee's descendants owe him a deep dept of gratitude.

Mary Agee, of Scott County, Virginia was a daughter of William Agee and Mary Ann Childers, the latter being a daughter of Captain William Childers.

William Agee was a son of Isaac Agee and Mary Smith, the latter having been said to have been a relative of John Smith of Pocchahontas fame. Isaac Agee was a son of Anthony Agee and Nancy Jane Berrin. Anthony Agee was a son of Matthiew Agee and Ann Godwin, the immigrants. Matthiew Agee, born CaNantes, France, was a son of Anthony Agee and Judith Chastain. Judith Chastain, born France, was a daughter of John Francis Chastain, born France, and Frances Jane Reno, born Regnault, France. Judith Jane Reno was a daughter of Charles Reno, born France and his wife, Ann, whose maiden name is not known.

Leona Ann Scott was a daughter of Robert Carlton Scott and Sarah Margaret Frantz. Sarah Margaret Frantz was a daughter of Peter Jackson Frantz and Permelia Boyd. Peter Jackson Frantz was a son of John Adam Frantz and his wife, Barbara, German immigrants. The family name of Barbara is unknown. Her grave is located near Springfield, Ohio.

Laurenda Steel was a daughter of Lendorus Harrison Steel and Mary Moreland, daughter of William Moreland. I have been told by older members of the family that Landorus Harrison Steel may have been a step-father of Laurenda and that her maiden name was really Ballard. I have found no evidence to support this.

Permelia Boyd was a daughter of Abraham Boyd and Mary Harryman. Abraham Boyd was a son of David Boyd, whose widow is listed in his probate papers as Hadassah Boyd, Lincoln County, Missouri. Whether the latter was Abraham's mother or step-mother, I have not been able to determine.

Mary Harryman was a daughter of John Harryman and Mary Brown, whose father's name was John Brown.

CHILDREN OF CARL BERT ALBERT AND MARY HARMON ALBERT

i. Mary Frances Albert
ii. David Ernest Albert

EIGHTH GENERATION - NOAL ERNEST ALBERT (Ernest Homer, Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Noal Ernest Albert, second son and child of the marriage of Ernest Homer Albert and Leona Ann Scott, was born 2 February 1910, McAlester, Oklahoma. He was born in the Bolen Mining Camp in North McAlester in the same house in which his older brother, Carl Bert Albert, was born. His birth can be verified from his birth certificate, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Department of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City and by the 1910 U.S. Census for Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. He was nicknamed Budge by his brother Carl. He has carried this nickname all of his life. It was the result of his brother undertaking to call him "Brother" and the latter still being less than two years old and still using baby talk, called him Budge. This story was given to me by my parents.

Since the story of Noal Ernest Albert very much coincides with that of Carl Bert, little needs to be said about his first fifteen years except to refer to the chapter on the latter. Noal spent his first six years in school in the Flowery Mound School at Bug Tussle. He then went to McAlester High School where he made the football team.

He was a very good farm worker and could pick almost twice as much cotton as I. My father was extremely fond of him because he was always the most willing farm worker in our family. Strangely enough he was weak and sickly when he was young, but by the time he was through high school, he was physically strong. He graduated from high school at the

beginning of the depression but wasn't able, as he had hoped, to go on to college. Instead, he became a truck driver with Luper Transportation Company. He studied bookkeeping and gradually worked his way up in the Company.

Luper moved to Wichita and expanded. Ernest Luper who owned it sold out of Fred Boslaw, who gradually turned the Company over to Noal. He became President and ultimately owner of the Company. He was quite successful in his business with which he spent practically all of his working life. He (1976) is still an advisor for the Company but has purchased a fine home back in our home town in McAlester.

Noal Ernest Albert married Betty (Elizabeth) Hoover and they had two daughters, Judith Kay (Judy) and Ann Kathryn. Judy married Ernest Hooter, and they had a wonderfully sweet little daughter, who died with a heart operation. Judy later gave her parents three fine boys, Gregg, Stephen, and Douglas. Ann married shortly before Judith. She first married Jim Theakston and later Vince Driver. Ann has given her father a grandson, Christopher Noal, who dearly loves him.

Noal has been a very successful sportsman as well as businessman. He has hunted all sorts of game in Canada and Kodiak Island and many other places. He has also had a very successful amateur golf career having won many tournaments.

Noal Albert is about five feet seven inches tall and weighs about 170 pounds. He was a fine looking boy with brown eyes and red curly hair. His disposition has always been very good and he has psrobably been the most thoughtful member of our family. My father used to tell me he always reminded him of his father, Granville Albert. For my part, he has been a wonderful brother, very close to me all my young

life. He is only twenty months younger than I, and people used to ask whether we were twins. He is a member of the Methodist Church and the Democratic party.

CHILDREN OF NOAL ERNEST ALBERT AND ELIZABETH HOOVER:

i. Judith Kay, born 26 October 1940 in Wichita, Kansas
ii. Ann Kathryn, born 27 September 1942 in Wichita, Kansas

EIGHTH GENERATION - KATHRYN MYRTLE ALBERT (Ernest Homer, Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Kathryn Myrtle Albert, only daughter of Ernest Homer Albert and Leona Ann Scott, was born on a farm in a double log house on Route 2, McAlester, Oklahoma, 26 April 1913. She was born on a farm in Canadian Township, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma, about a mile east of where she now (1976) has her home.

I well remember the day of her birth. She was delivered by old Doc Tennant, a Confederate veteran, and the neighborhood doctor. I remember waking up in the morning and seeing his horse and buggy out in the yard. I walked out of my bedroom across the breezeway, and my grandmother Albert who lived on the same farm and about 500 yards west of us told me to come in and see my little sister. Mother was lying on a bed on the south side of the room which was in the southeast corner of our three room house. I will never forget the thrill it was for me and the whole family to have a baby sister in the house.

Kathryn matured rapidly as a baby. Her hair was black and before she was two months old her eyes were black and sparkling. Before she was old enough to walk she had learned to talk as plainly as an adult. As she lay on her pallet I used to ask her to repeat all kinds of words, and she always shot them right back at me.

We all thought she was the prettiest thing in the world by the time she was two years old. Times were hard then, but mother always kept her in clothes that looked very pretty to me.

My brother, Noal, had pretty red hair, and mama always regretted that he had not been a girl. She let his hair grow into long curls, but not long after Kathryn's hair grew out mama cut his curls off, and he was very happy to look like a boy.

Kathryn started to the Bug Tussle school when she was six years old. Her first teacher was the same teacher who first taught me, Mrs. Lottie Ross, who is still living and now (1976) is about 98 years old. Kathryn was by far the best student in her class. Mrs. Ross would line her first graders up to read, and Kathryn would walk back and forth in front of the line to help the children read.

When Kathryn was about ten years old we moved to McAlester, and she went to the Fifth Ward School. She finished school there and then went to McAlester Junior High School. Unfortunately, our mother contracted tuberculosis. Father sent her out to Albuquerque and I was with her during the summer of 1926. I came back in late summer to finish my last year of high school. Mother's condition worsened and my father and I went out to see her during the Christmas vacation. She died while we were there, and we took her body back to McAlester for burial.

This was an ordeal for all of us and especially the youngest three. Kathryn literally had to be the mother to her two younger brothers - Earl was only five years old. I sometimes wonder how they made it, particularly after Noal and I left. It was, of course, hard on Kathryn. She had had to go one semester to Albuquerque schools

and then come home where she finished near the head of her class. Her tough luck did things for her and all the rest of us. She is still today the hub around which the whole family turns.

Kathryn married Lige Cantrel while she was still young. She had a baby, Betty Jo, by him. Although he abandoned them and they knew nothing but hard times for a while, her little girl turned out to be one of the finest blessings any mother ever had. Bright and beautiful, she married one of the finest young men I have ever known, Jess Hay, who had done extremely well, and they have two of the most precious daughters anyone could ever hope for. On top of all this they have a beautiful home in Dallas, Texas.

After a very hard go, Kathryn and Homer went down to board with one of our old teachers, Mr. R. Craighead at Durant, Oklahoma, where she attended Southeastern Oklahoma State College. There she met her second husband, Duncan Peacock. They married while the depression was still on, Duncan winding up in the peanut business and Kathryn in the cotton business. After several hard years, working in government plants and in the businesses that were to claim most of their productive years, they began to do well. Duncan is a wonderful man and husband, and became a perfect father for Betty Jo. No natural father could love a daughter more. Betty Jo loved him so much she had her name legally changed to Peacock so she could marry under his name.

They sent Betty Jo through Southern Methodist University where she met her husband, who was the top student of his law class.

Duncan finally retired and started working for the post office. They built a home upon our father's old farm on Lake Eufaula and Duncan

transferred to the rural route force at McAlester, and is now the rural carrier on the route on which Kathryn was born.

DAUGHTER OF KATHRYN (ALBERT)

i. Peacock - Betty Jo Peacock Hay, born McAlester, Oklahoma 6 June 1931

EIGHTH GENERATION - HOMER GRANVILLE ALBERT (Ernest Homer, Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Homer Granville Albert, my brother, son of Ernest Homer and Leona Ann (Scott) Albert, was born 13 May 1917 on the old home farm, later purchased by my father, in the Flowery Mound Community, northeast of McAlester, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. He died in North Little Rock, Arkansas, on 8 August 1962. He was buried beside my father and mother in the family lot at Oak Hill Cemetery, McAlester, Oklahoma. Chaneys Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. Funeral services were held in the Grand Avenue Methodist Church at 11:00 a.m. on 10 August 1962. Rev. L. L. Bowles, District Superintendent, Methodist Church, McAlester District, preached his funeral. This was the same church in which Homer had entered his membership many years before while still a boy. The pall bearers at the funeral were Bill McBee, step-brother; Guy Savage, boyhood friend; Ray Swilling, husband of his cousin, Freda (Durman) Swilling; Bill Haggard, boyhood friend; James Howard Anderson and Carl Wayne Anderson; life long friends from the Flowery Mound Community. Among relatives at the funeral were his sister and three brothers; his Aunt Myrtle (Scott) Williams, sister of his mother; his Uncle Bert Albert, his father's brother, who was to pass on a few months later; his Aunt Zona (Dilleshaw) Albert, wife of Bert Albert; his niece, Mrs. Betty Jo Hay; his nieces Judy and Ann Albert; his niece, Mary Frances

Albert, my daughter; his only nephew, David Ernest Albert, my son; his brother-in-law, Duncan Peacock; his sisters-in-law, Mary Albert, Betty Albert, and Doris Albert; his niece's husband, Jesse Hay; his cousin, Mary Lee (Albert Melvin and her husband, Dolan Melvin; his cousins of varying degrees, Mrs. Hazel (Ohe) Porter, Mrs. Freda (Durman) Swilling, Mrs. Jennie (Durman) Patrick, and the husbands of the latter two, Ray Swilling and Harold Patrick. Also present were many friends, including my first teacher, Mrs. Lottie Ross, widow of the late C. C. Ross.

Homer began school in September 1923 at the Flowery Mound School, known as Bug Tussle, in the community in which he was born. Shortly thereafter my family moved to McAlester in what is known at Talawanda Heights near the State Penitentiary. One of our close neighbors was Rich Owens, executioner at the prison. After moving to McAlester, Homer, along with hig brother and sister, Noal and Kathryn, enrolled in the Fifth Ward School, known as Eugene Field School. He later attended other elementary McAlester city schools as follows: William Gay or Fourth Ward, Washington or Second Ward. He attended grade school in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He later attended Flowery Mound School again. He attended McAlester Junior High and Senior High Schools, graduating from the latter in May 1936. He attended Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Oklahoma State University) for one year.

Homer Granville Albert entered the Armed Forces as a private in 1942. He was assigned to Company A, 358th Infantry, 90th Division, known as the TO or Texas-Oklahoma Division, and later dubbed "Tough Ombres." The Library of Congress contains a History of the 90th

Division (D769.3, 90th. A5) and of the 358th Infantry (D769.31, 35th. A5). From these and personal knowledge I have tried to extract a part of the story of the military service of my dear brother in order that his loved ones may have a better understanding of this critical part of his life. I say "critical" because he left the service a permanently and totally disabled veteran.

The 90th Division was first organized in World War I in which it made a fine combat record in France. Parenthetically I might say that a World War I veteran of the same Company and Regiment of this Division in which my brother served in World War II is buried only a few feet from the latter in the Oak Hill Cemetery in McAlester. Parenthetically also one of my best friends and most respected colleagues, the late Congressman, William G. Stigler of Stigler, Oklahoma, was a member of this division in World War I.

The 90th Division, including the 358th Infantry, was reactivated 5 March 1942. It was reactivated as a World War II unit under the command of Major General Henry Terrell Jr. New recruits, including Homer G. Albert, from all parts of the country were assigned to it. Homer was with the division until he was wounded in Normandy. In addition to Major General Terrell, the following also commanded the Division during Homer's service: Major General J. W. McKelvie, Major General Eugene M. Landrum; and Major General Raymond S. McClain. The latter, an Oklahoma City banker, was a friend of the author. He had formerly served with the Oklahoma National Guard and was at one time division commander of the 45th Division. Major General McClain went on to become a corps commander under General George S. Patton.

He was promoted to Lieutenant General and served as Comptroller of the Army after the war. General Dwight D. Eisenhower, later President, told the author that Lieutenant General McClain was the outstanding general officer from civilian life to have served in World War II. It was Major General McClain that led the Division during the Normandy invasion.

The 358th Infantry, whose motto was "Peraginus," meaning "We Accomplish," along with the rest of the Division, did its basic training at Camp Barkeley, Texas. This included daylight maneuvers and night problems on "barren, rugged Hankins Ranch." The trainees made many grueling twenty-five mile hikes over the ranch area. This type of training lasted for eleven months. During this time I wrote to and heard from my brother frequently. Being in the service myself at the time, I knew the importance of "Mail Call" to the morale of young soldiers. I tried to write both of my younger brothers in the service, Homer and Earl, as frequently as possible all through the war.

On 26 January 1943 the Regiment, then completely motorized, engaged in maneuvers in Louisiana. It returned for a short additional stay at Camp Barkeley and on 4 August 1943 the Regiment went west by rail for desert maneuvers. It stopped first at Camp Pilot Knob near Yuma, Arizona, and then moved to Camp Granite, California, near Granite Mountains, and to the vast maneuver area in the Harquahala Mountains of the Arizona desert, where the outfit participated in a large scale mock battle up and down the California desert from Needles, California to Yuma, Arizona.

On concluding desert maneuvers, the Regiment took a railroad trip across the country and on New Year's Day, 1944 it moved into comfortable

quarters at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and occupied regular barracks for the first time since activation. During his stay at Fort Dix, Homer visited my wife, Mary, and me in our apartment in McComb Gardens, on McComb Street, just off Wisconsin Avenue, in Washington, D.C. I was with the Air Judge Advocate's Office at the time. It was wonderful to have Homer for a short visit. We took him around and showed him the "Washington sights." He seemed to enjoy his visit thoroughly. When his leave was up, we took him down to the Union Station and put him on his train. We stood by his car watching him through the window until the train pulled off. It was a sad little boy that left us there not to see us or any of his loved ones again until he had finished his job "over there."

Early in March 1944 the 90th Division was alerted for overseas movement. On March 14 they slipped out of Fort Dix to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, shut off from the outside world. On March 22 the Regiment went by train to New York Harbour, where under the dover of darkness they boarded the M. S. John Erickson. In the early morning haze of the following day, 23 March 1944, they went out to sea but were forced to return to New York Harbour for engine repairs. After three days the ship again joined its convoy and under Naval escort sailed for Liverpool, England, where they landed on Easter Sunday, 8 April 1944.

The Regiment then went by train to two camps, just south of Birmingham, England. The First Battalion of which Company A was a part, was at Camp Coton Hall. The following is from the History of the 358th Infantry, supra: "Training began immediately with special emphasis on physical conditioning exercises and marches over the picturesque English countryside. Daily the men were required to carry full combat

equipment on fast road marches.

Another hike was added to the busy schedule for some when they set out for the nearby villages of Kidderminster and Bewdley, where local atmosphere as well as ale was absorbed".

The 90th Division History, supra, describes the overall training between April 9th and D-Day as follows: "A period of intensive training followed, consisting of mine detection, village fighting, assault on fortified positions, hedgerow fighting, artillery firing problems, road marches and obstacle courses."

The Regimental History picks up the story in England as follows: "On May 12 the units moved again - this time to settle as a Regiment at Llanmartin, near Newport, Wales. The stay at Camp Llanmartin, however, was to be shortlived with most of the time devoted to the checking of equipment down to the last shoe string. Meanwhile the outfit was sealed in the camp. The mysterious, heavily guarded building with its boarded up windows took on added significance as high commanders entered to study impending operations."

On June 4th the Regiment packed up and moved to dockside at Newport, Wales, loading into the Excelsior, the ship that was to carry Homer and his comrades to Normandy. After loading the ship rendezvoused with other ships off Cardiff, Wales. The Regimental History states: "It was soon obvious that the big event which had been in the wind for so long was about to happen and on the second day the convoy sailed from Cardiff, remaining within sight of the English coast for sometime."

"Then it was no longer a secret. The ship's radio announced that this was D-Day. Paratroopers were fighting in France - Allied troops had already landed on the coast of Normandy."

This was D-Day, 6 June 1944. On that same day I was back in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma visiting my father on my last leave before taking off for overseas assignment in the Southwest Pacific. Kathryn, my sister, was also home. My youngest brother, Earl, was in New Guinea. My father drove us to McAlester on the morning of the 6th. We stopped at a filling station in North McAlester and learned then the Normandy invasion was on. A radio in the station was giving out the news. We all knew Homer was involved. We did not know whether he was already in France or just where he was, but we knew he was involved. The uncertainty about him added to our concern as we all literally wept. We knew a part of the burden of the greatest invasion in history rested on the shoulders of one who to us was still one of our little brothers. It was not until the war was over that I learned that at that time he was in a convoy off the south coast of England steadily proceeding toward the English Channel for a crossing which was to land them in Normandy some two days later.

Within less than twenty-four hours, Homer was looking out on Cherbourg Peninsula, his first sight of France. Strangely this had also been my first sight of France seventeen years before when as a high school oratorical winner I first saw Cherbourg early one morning also in June from the deck of the great liner, the Leviathan.

The History of the 358th Infantry describes the incident: "At eleven o'clock in the morning of June 8th, in the midst of a great display of naval power the convoy dropped anchor off 'Utah Beach' on the Cherbourg Peninsula (down the coast in a southerly direction from the City of Cherbourg). As far as one could see, the channel was dotted with ships and landing craft of all types and description. All the

larger ships had barrage balloons moored to the masts and everwhere one looked there was a panorama of floating 'sausages'. Overhead, hawk-eyed allied aircraft hovered and maintained constant patrol of the skies on the lookout for enemy aircraft."

"Landing craft pulled up to the sides of the ships and the troops began clambering down the landing nets into the smaller boats. Debarkation started at 11:58, and as the crafts rammed up on the beach the men unloaded and waded through the waist-deep water to the dry sands and made their way inland."

Homer later described this landing to me and how soaked he got in the process.

The History continues: "The area near Azeville, which the Regiment had planned to occupy was still in enemy hands, so instead the columns moved along a dirt road south of St. Martin de Varreville, and thence north and east towards Turqueville. As the men marched along, a hot mid-day sun beat down on them with their heavy loads of new equipment, accentuating the unpleasantness of those first impressions of Normandy. Roads were lined with discarded invasion equipment - at frequent intervals, there were signs with skull and crossbones and the letters 'Minen'. Carcasses of dead horses were sprawled on the roadside, and occasionally a dead German in a strange gray uniform and black boots stared grotesquely from a ditch. Now and then, the way would be cleared to allow a jeep with wounded soldiers to proceed in the opposite direction toward the beaches."

"The 358th Infantry was now in the war, and it was not to be long before those first unsavory impressions would become actual daily experiences. The day following the landing was spend reorganizing and

getting the vehicles and heavier equipment into the hands of the companies and battallions. All the while big long toms in the area sent artillery shells whistling into the enemy lines. That first night, 'Bed Check Charlie,' the nightly, low flying reconnaissance plane of the Germans with its recognizable drone, introduced himself to the outfit and received a hot reception. In the distance, over the beach, the sky was aglow with the streak of tracer bullets and anti-aircraft fire."

In History of the 90th Division, supra, Chapter II: "The Beaches and the Hedgerows" begins as follows: "Blossomtime in Normandy came to the staccato accompaniment of whistling artillery rounds, whining rifle bullets, the sharp crack of mortars on the beaches, and the angry, stuttering voices of a thousand emplaced guns. Overhead, fighters and bombers roared to their targets, while offshore, warships of the Navy pounded enemy defenses with devastating fire.

"At four o'clock in the morning of June 10th the 90th Division moved forward, a movement that was to honor no obstacles, acknowledge no hindrance until it reached the hills of Bohemia eleven months away."

"Thrusting forward quickly the 357th and 358th Regiments forced their crossings of the Merderet with the towns of Amfreville and Pont L'Abbe the immediate objectives."

"The hedgerows of Normandy were designed by the French to conserve the soil and prevent erosion. But the Germans utilized them for other purposes. You could place a small force of Wernecht defenders behind one row and cover the approaches with murderous fire from small arms."

Anyone acquainted with this part of the French countryside knows that it is slightly rolling country. The hedgerows are trees planted close together in rows. It was in this area that Homer was wounded. It was from behind one of these trees that a German soldier hit him

with a grenade as his unit advanced down one of the gentle hills of Normandy. He was wounded in the very first day of the assault, indeed in the first action of the Regiment. According to the Regimental History the First Battalion, which included Company A was the first to attack. The History states: "The First Battalion jumped off and secured the bridge at Chef Du Pont, rescuing a battalion of paratroopers, and then moved on to take the town of Picanville by mid-morning. Pushing on toward Pont L'Abbe they met fierce resistance and murderous mortar fire."

Data from the discharge of Homer G. Albert, the original of which is in the possession of his sister, Mrs. Duncan (Kathryn Albert) Peacock, are as follows: "Serial No. 38089522; Social Security No. 451-28-4665; Left U. S. 23 March 1944 for England; Company A, 358th Inf., 90th Division, Wounded Chef Du Pont, France 10 June 1944; European, African, and Good Conduct Ribbons, Purple Heart."

This discharge is evidence that, since he was wounded at Chef Du Pont, he was apparently wounded in the first major engagement of his battalion and on the first day of its action against the enemy.

The following is taken from a speech by Congressman Ed Edmondson of Oklahoma on the day of Homer's death (page 14828 of Congressional Record, 8 August 1962):

"Homer G. Albert, whose death was reported today at the U. S. Veterans Hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas, was the second youngest son in a family of four boys and one girl, the children of Ernest Homer and Leona Ann (Scott) Albert."

"He was born at Flowery Mound, Oklahoma, on May 13, 1917, and

was educated in the McAlester public schools and at Oklahoma State University.

A babe in World War I, Homer was a young man still in his early twenties at the outbreak of World War II.

.....Homer served with bravery and distinction with the 358th Infantry of the 90th Division."

"On the 10th of June 1944 - D-Day plus 4 - Homer was wounded in action in Normandy, after participating in some of the heaviest fighting which occurred during the invasion of Europe."

"For this he received the Purple Heart - and with it a lifetime total disability."

"Homer Albert wore the European-African-Middle East Campaign Medal with the prized bronze arrowhead for participation in the invasion battles of June 6 to June 9, 1944."

"He was also entitled to the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Bronze Star but Army records indicate he never applied for these honors." (Above data obtained by Congressman Edmondson from Department of Army records.)

In physical description Homer was slight of stature measuring five feet and three inches in height and weighing about 120 pounds. He was fair of complexion. His hair was white as a child. It darkened as he matured but he remained almost a true blond all of his life. His hair was the lightest of any of his family. His eyes were blue-gray. His skin was fair, with scarcely a blemish. He was the only one of four boys who was not conspicuously freckled as a child. He was really a good person all of his life. He was unselfish, always thoughtful and

considerate of others.

I always loved my dear brother, Homer, as much as I ever loved any one on earth. His death in many ways was the most difficult experience I have ever had to endure. I still find it hard to overcome my grief. I feel that he was cheated in life. Next to the youngest, he was the first to have to leave us. He never had the joy of a wife and children. As partial compensation I feel somehow that my own son David is a part his. David favored him more than anyone else, a fact that always seemed to please Homer very much. I feel that in a way David is taking his place. I want my children to feel that they are indebted to their Uncle Homer for a part of their opportunities in life. Every cent that I have inherited from him is going into their educational funds: I could not spend it on myself under any circumstances.

Now that Homer is gone I think often of the little cotton top that was such a beam of joy in our little home for so many years, I remember as if it were only yesterday that 13th day of May 1917 when he was born. I was nine years and three days old at the time. I considered him a birthday present for me. We were living on what was to become the old home place. This was our first year there and father had rented it from Guy McCullough. A few months before Mr. McCullough had bought one of the old Bolen-Darnell Company houses and moved it out to the location which father and mother had selected. The house was very similar to the one in which I was born. It was an unpainted four room frame house. Grandfather Albert, who then lived on his little farm east of Mountain View school house on what we knew as Pine Mountain about four miles south of us, had come over and "witched" the place

with a peach tree fork to locate the well site which may still be seen. The well was drilled about 60 feet deep and cased with galvanized pipe. The old galvanized bucket, well rope and pully were to be a part of the household for many years. We drew our drinking water and watered our stock from it.

When I first saw Homer he was lying beside my mother that May morning in the northeast room of our hold house. Ora Barnes came over to do the house work.

Mother seemed to have a premonition that Homer's lot might be a sad one. She told me this shortly after he was born, and she wept about it.

However, the early years of his life were a blessing to himself and all of us. I remember when he was a four year old "cotton top". He was one of the most delightful children I ever knew. He not only entertained his own family but also everyone in the neighborhood who knew him. I well remember when my youngest brother Earl was a baby, my father said to Homer one day, "I have four boys and I wish they were all your size and just like you."

Homer was a regular boy during his formative years. He played football well in grade school, and was one of the smallest and toughest on the squad.

As he matured he was a good boy, thoughtful of others. He loved his brothers and sister and liked to be with them.

When Homer was only nine years old we lost our mother in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mother had tuberculosis and had gone out there for her health. The children went out with her in June 1926.

I returned to McAlester in August to go back to my senior year in high school. The rest of the children stayed with mother until she died 31 December 1926. My father and I arrived there a few days before she died. Earl was just barely five years old and Homer had turned nine in May. Mother knew she was about to leave her two little boys and she asked the rest of us to watch after them. This was a sad day in Homer's life, and it made a lasting impression on him. He told me years later when he visited me in Washington, D.C. in the spring of 1944 just before sailing for Europe that he had ridden a train across the country stopping for a short while in Albuquerque. He said his traveling companion wanted to get off and have a little fun, but "he did not realize what I had given up there."

Homer was a real he boy as he grew up. In grade school he played football. He was one of the smallest but one of the toughest on the squad. He and Earl grew up together, and Homer always had a sense of responsibility for his little brother.

As Homer matured he was a good boy, kind and considerate of others. He loved him home and family. We who are left can never forget him.

EIGHTH GENERATION - LIBERTY EARL ALBERT (Ernest Homer, Granville, Eli, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Liberty Earl Albert, always called Earl, youngest son and child of the marriage of Ernest Homer Albert and Leona Ann Scott, was born 7 December 1921 on the old home farm, northeast of McAlester, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma, Post Office address Route 2, McAlester, Oklahoma. His primary education was received at the Fourth Ward School in

McAlester; the Flowery or Bug Tussle School; McAlester Junior High; and McAlester High School. He is a Democrat in politics and a Missionary Baptist in religion. He is now (1976) and has been for several years a member of the First Baptist Church in McAlester.

Liberty Earl Albert served in World War II in Headquarters Battery, 457th Field Artillery Battalion, 11th Airborne Division. He was enrolled as a private and discharged as a Sergeant. The Division, which was commanded by Major General Joseph M. Swing, was activated at Camp McKall, North Carolina, 25 February 1943. On January 1944 the 11th moved to Camp Polk, Louisiana where I had entered the 3rd Armored Division 16 June 1941 and had left 16 March 1942.

The 11th Airborne Division was composed of men from many states. On 2 March 1943, 201 arrived from Ft. Sill, Oklahoma at the railway station at Hoffman, North Carolina.

After 15 April the Division was put under tight security at Polk. It was referred to simply as 1855. On 20 April the Division started boarding planes to California for the Port of Embarkation. By 28 April the Division had closed at Camp Stoneman, California. From here censorship of letters was started.

On 2 May, the first units left Pittsburg, California for San Francisco, the Port of Embarkation. From there they headed for New Guinea where they landed some three to four weeks later. Milne Bay was a water stop. The boats then pulled in at Oro Bay. The Division then moved to its camp site, the Buna-Dobodura area. It was a land of jungles, mountains, fuzzy-wuzzies, thatches roofs and kunai grass. Tents were put up along the various taxiways of the airfield. On 12 October 1944 the Division sailed to Layte, a Philippine island,

where on 18 November the Division joined King II Operation, as the Battle of Leyte was called. It landed unopposed on Bita Beach. Their landing was rushed because of repeated Japanese air raids. On 22 November the Division released the 7th Infantry Division along the line Burauen-La Paz-Bughs.

On 31 January 1945 the Division was moved to Luzon, the parachute troops being moved by air to Mindoro. The activities of the Division for the next few months were confined mainly to Southern Luzon. The Division CP was at Nasugbu. Portions of the Division moved up to Paranaque, Manila, and Los Banos. Then by 23 February the Division was assigned the mission of destroying all Japs in Southern Luzon. The 457th Field Artillery was put in direct support of the 188th at Ternate.

From Luzon the 11th was moved to Okinawa, thence to Japan and had the honor of escorting General McArthur to that country. They landed at Atsugi Air Base. General Swing was the first American soldier to set foot on Japanese soil. His men erected the first U.S. flag over the country. The Division next occupied Yokohama, then Tokyo and finally spread out troops in all directions in the metropolitan area.

On 14 September 1945 the 11th Airborne Division was relieved of its zones of responsibility and on the 15th began a motor and rail movement to previously assigned sectors in Northern Honshu. Various battalion units were assigned at various places in the area. The 457th and 152nd Battalions at Akita. By September 17 all units had closed in their new areas.

For the fourth time the Division operated its own parachute school. (The first was at Polk, the second in New Guinea, and the third at Lipa, Luzon.) The last was at Yanome, about fifteen miles south of

Sendai. Because the units were scattered all over northern Japan it was necessary to house the students at the school.

During the latter part of 1945 the combat personnel of the Division changed almost monthly. This was due to rotation based on a point system established by the Army. In due time Earl was rotated home.

The above notes on the 11th Airborne Division cannot, of course, be made to relate to every individual or unit of the Division with respect to which they were serving, but it does give the general areas through which they moved and were stationed during Earl Albert's service during the war.

While Earl was in the 11th Airborne Division, I was serving in the Judge Advocate General's Department of the Army Air Corps. This organization, of course, had no connection with the 11th Airborne Division. However, strange things often happen to show how little the world is. I was able to see Earl off and on at widely scattered times and places throughout the years of his service.

When Earl was stationed at Camp McKall, North Carolina, I was in the Air Judge Advocate's Office in Washington, D.C. My wife and I were then living in the McComb Gardens, an apartment building still standing near the intersection of Wisconsin Avenue and McComb Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. (1976). Earl visited us while we were there, and we were able to visit him at McKall when he spent the night with us in Hoffman, North Carolina.

When Earl left the country it was some time before I heard from him, and all he could tell me of his whereabouts was that he was stationed in New Guinea.

Later, when I sailed to Oro Bay, New Guinea, and was moved up for the night to Dobodura, I was surprised to see "11th Airborne Division" signs all over the place. The next morning, I sought out to look for Hq. Battery, 457th Field Artillery, found it easily and in a few minutes located Earl personally. I was a Major at the time and he was a Sergeant, but he was living much better than I. He had a jeep, and he took some of my friends and me to the beach for a swim in the Pacific Ocean. We saw one another frequently until I was flown to Brisbane, Australia.

A few months later, when I was stationed at Paranaque, near Manila, I learned that his organization was a few miles south of us. I went down there to look for him. I went to Division Headquarters and some staff officers pointed in the general direction of where his organization was located. I headed on foot in that direction but was later stopped by an armored military police care and told that I was in territory still occupied by the Japanese. They took me back to Headquarters and the officer in charge there got in touch with Earl's outfit and had him brought up to see me. Later on Earl visited me at my unit at Manila.

I remember that the Olympia invasion of Japan was to take place in October. I learned from a friend at MacArthur's Headquarters that the 11th would probably spearhead the entry. This, of course, was highly secret and worried me, but I could not tell my brother. He and his buddies knew they would be in on the landing.

Occasionally rumors would float at my Headquarters. General Kenney was Commanding General of all Air Forces in the Pacific. He

was called home in the early summer of 1945. When he returned, rumors started flying that he had said the the Olympia Invasion would never take place and that he bet General Eichelberger, the Army Commander, that the war would be over before September. The rumor was soon all over the Manila area. I told this to Earl and some of his friends. I think they thought it was just a wild latrine rumor.

Not many days later came Hiroshima. Still the Japs refused to surrender. Then when Truman ordered Nagasaki destroyed the Japs caved in. Everybody was then convinced that this was one latrine rumor that was true.

Earl Albert married Doris Jean Callahan, and they have three daughters; Kathryn Jean (called Kathy), born 16 July 1950, Mangum, Oklahoma; Nancy Jane (called Nancy), born 7 August 1952, Mangum, Oklahoma; and Polly Ann, born 27 June 1956, at Mangum, Oklahoma.

Kathy married Marty Winn, and they live (1976) in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and they have one child, a daughter, Amanda Kathryn Winn, born 4 May 1976. Nancy married Ronald Moore and they also live in Tulsa. Polly Ann married Charles Lovell Baumert, and they are in the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Oklahoma.

Earl Albert, though the youngest of our family, is the tallest. He is about 5' 9" or 5' 10" tall. He was born in the same house in which our brother Homer was born out on the old family farm on Rt. 2, McAlester, Oklahoma. He weighed twelve pounds when he was born and by the time he was six months old was large for his age. He had eyes that were large and almost shiny black and red hair. I remember his birth well. Dr. Schlichts of North McAlester attended him. Mrs. Kate

Anderson, a long time neighbor of ours, was also present. My sister, Kathryn, was very unhappy because he was not a girl. She did not want to be the only girl in a family of five children. She was in the middle, Noal and I grew up ahead of her, and Homer and Earl after her.

Earl's first job was working for the Oklahoma Transportation Company. He drove busses for the Company for years. He made the route from Oklahoma City, where he lived, to Fort Smith, Arkansas and return. He also drove to Ardmore. He then had the Oklahoma City - Mangum route. He moved to Mangum where all three of his daughters were born. He next became a city letter carrier out of the Mangum Post Office. When the opportunity came along in the early 1960's he transferred to the Rural Route force at McAlester, where he served Route 5.

After renting a house for a while he purchased a home at 424 East Wichita from Harrold and Jennie Patrick. There he raised his family. He now (1976) has a lovely new home at 505 South 16th Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

CHILDREN OF LIBERTY EARL AND DORIS CALLAHAN ALBERT

i. Kathryn Jean Albert
ii. Nancy Jane Albert
iii. Polly Ann Albert

SARAH BRAWLEY (FIRST COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Nancy Albert, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Sarah Brawley, daughter of William and Nancy Brawley, was born 10 May 1844. According to her daughter, Mary Ann Hedrick, she died 11 Dec. 1900 on Logan Creek in Reynolds County, Missouri. She was very short and stocky with black hair and eyes.

Sarah Brawley married James Sanders who was born in Arkansas

18 Jan. 1843 and died 25 April 1906 in Indian Territory. James Sanders was a Confederate soldier in the Civil War, having served as a private in Captain Farris' Company, Clardy's Battalion, Missouri Volunteers, Army of Northern District of Arkansas. His Army was surrendered by Brigadier Genearl M. Jeff Thompson, C.S.A. to Major General G.M. Dodge, U.S.A., Department of Missouri on May 11, 1965. He was paroled at Wittsburg, Arkansas, 25 May 1865. He was 21 years old when he enlisted at Reynolds County, Missouri and his description was "eyes, black; hair, dark; complexion, fair; height 5'6". (Confederate Records, National Archives, Washington, D.C.)

1870 Logan Twp. Reynolds County, Mo.

137-137	James Sanders	23	Farmer	Mo.
	Sarah "	22		Mo.

1880 Logan Twp. Reynolds County, Mo.

44-44	Sanders, James	38	Farmer	Ark.	S.C.	N.C.
	" Sarah	36	Wife	Mo.	Tenn.	Ill.
	" Simpson L.	6	Son	Mo.	Ark.	Ill.
	" Nancy Jane	5	Dau.	"	"	"
	" Louisa M.	3	"	"	"	"
	" Mary Ann	1	"	"	"	"

CHILDREN OF JAMES SANDERS AND SARAH BRAWLEY SANDERS

i. Iaway (daughter) born 2 Nov. 1871
ii. Simpson Lee born 8 Feb. 1873 Married 1)Laura Randolph 2) Frena Hampton
iii. Nancy Jane born 18 Oct. 1874
iv. Luisa M. born April 1876
v. Mary Ann born 15 Sept. 1878
vi. William C. born 2 Aug. 1881, died age 14
vii. Bell M. born 2 Feb. 1886 Married Charles Hedrick

HENDERSON ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (Willis, Simon, Michael)

Henderson Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was

born February 15, 1850 in Marion County, Illinois.

I have not been able to learn the date and place of death of Henderson Albert. His grandson, George Albert, thinks he died at Lincoln, Illinois, but I have not been able to obtain verification. It has been difficult to get data on his family due no doubt to the fact that he appears to have been married at least three times and his family has scattered somewhat.

Henderson Albert apparently married three times and had children by his first and second wives:

1) Johanna Mohler, June 8, 1873 (Book D, page 88, Marriage Records, Marion County, Illinois)

2) Cecelia Dishler

3) Celia Ann Owen, November 1, 1889 (Book D, page 173, Marion County, Illinois)

CHILDREN:

A. By Johanna Mohler

i. Michael (+)
ii. George Benjamin (+)

B. By Cecelia Dishler

iii. Mary who married Fred Champ, had one boy, Fred, Jr.
iv. Ethel Pearl (+)
v. Ralph married Kate Camp, had no children

MICHAEL ALBERT (Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Michael Albert, son of Henderson and Johanna (Mohler) Albert, married Lily Alice Deischer. His children were born in O'Fallon, Illinois. He and his wife divorced and he spent the last thirty years of his life in Carlyle, Illinois. He died in 1956 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese, Illinois. (Data furnished by children

and other relatives)

CHILDREN OF MICHAEL ALBERT AND LILY ALICE DEISCHER

i. George Henderson (+)
ii. Vernon (+)
iii. Deischer Maxwell (+)
iv. Helen (Mrs. Fred H. Berman)
v. John - deceased
vi. Warren - deceased
vii. Johanna - deceased
viii. Eunice - deceased
ix. James - deceased
x. Brower - deceased

GEORGE HENDERSON ALBERT (Michael, Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

George Henderson Albert, son of Michael and Lily Alice (Deischer) Albert, was born in O'Fallon, Illinois, November 1, 1905. He married Alma French, and they live in Bellville, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF GEORGE HENDERSON ALBERT AND ALMA FRENCH

i. Dennis Dean, born July 14, 1946

VERNON ALBERT (Michael, Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Vernon Albert, son of Michael and Lily Alice (Deischer) Albert, married May Sharnark. They live at 108 South 38th Street, Belleville, Illinois. They have a daughter, Vernalee. Their only son died young.

DEISCHER MAXWELL ALBERT (Michael, Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Deischer Maxwell Albert, son of Michael and Lily Alice (Deischer) Albert, was born in O'Fallon, Illinois, April 7, 1919. He married Edna Mae Hopfinger. They live at 1001 North Church Street, Belleville, Illinois. He is 5'10 1/2" tall and weighs 170 pounds. He advises that he has had 10 1/2 years of military service.

It will be noted that his son, Michael, carries the name of our immigrant ancestor after seven generations.

CHILDREN OF DEISCHER MAXWELL ALBERT AND EDNA MAE HOPFINGER

i. Helen Jean, born Sept. 19, 1941, Belleville, Illinois

ii. Michael Dale, born Nov. 28, 1954, Belleville, Illinois

GEORGE BENJAMIN ALBERT (Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

George Benjamin Albert, son of Henderson and Johanna (Mohler) Albert, was born June 8, 1882. He married Minnie Feribault, who was born in Quebec, Canada and is French Canadian by birth. I talked to the latter on the telephone in March 1961. They live at 3420 North Third Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Albert followed Ringling Brothers Circus before he was married. He moved to Minneapolis many years ago where he was married and worked as a millwright. He is now retired.

CHILDREN OF GEORGE BENJAMIN ALBERT AND MINNIE FERIBAULT

i. Donald, age 49, Hopkins, Minnesota, whose only son died
ii. Bernice (Wiggins)

ETHEL PEARL ALBERT (Henderson, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Ethel Pearl Albert, daughter of Henderson and Cecelia (Dischler) Albert, was born in O'Fallon, Illinois in 1885. She married LeRoy Agles.

CHILDREN OF ETHEL PEARL ALBERT AND LEROY AGLES

i. Olivia * (Mrs. Leroy Feltman)
ii. Delores
iii. Ellsworth

* Mrs. Feltman, 126 Carson Drive, O'Fallon, Illinois, gave me most of this data.

MATTHEW ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

Matthew Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born March 13, 1845 in Marion County, Illinois. He died in Marion County in August, 1932. He was buried in Antioch Cemetery in that County. He was a member of the Christian Church. Mr. Albert married Frances Ann Farthing on February 7, 1869 (Marriage Book D, page 58,

Marion County, Illinois). The latter died in 1941 in Marion County and was buried in the Antioch Cemetery.

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW ALBERT AND FRANCES ANN FARTHING

i. Jasper Died young
ii. Louis Elmer (+)
iii. William Omer, married Ora Mathews, died without issue
iv. Lottie married Frank Erno, R.F.D., Odin, Illinois
v. Lily born Oct. 23, 1880, married Thomas Wilson Flannigan, Res. Wichita, Kansas
vi. Alta married William Perry Dunlap
vii. Minnie married 1) John Easley, 2) Clark Cockrell
viii. Everth, deceased never having married
ix. Ethel died young

LOUIS ELMER ALBERT (Matthew, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Louis Elmer Albert, son of Matthew and Frances Ann (Farthing) Albert, was born in Marion County, Illinois and was always called by his middle name, Elmer.

Mr. Albert married Zettie Kell who predeceased him.

I visited Mr. Albert in his home on a farm southwest of Salem, Illinois in 1952. He gave me much of the information which I have used herein with reference to his father and grandfather. He has since died (1957).

I have also stopped several times by the home of Raymond Albert, son of Louis Elmer Albert. The former lives on Highway 50 east of Salem.

CHILDREN OF LOUIS ELMER ALBERT AND ZETTIE KELL

i. Lela married Oga Meader
ii. Lila married John Watson, res. Luling, Texas
iii. Roy married Henrietta Plaggers; res. Marion County, Ill, No children
iv. Raymond married Marie Cantrell, res. Marion County, Ill. No children
v. Lulu married Marion Garret, res. Salem, Ill.

ROZELLA ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

Rozella Albert, daughter of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born February 28, 1856 and died in 1944. She married David Miller who was born in New York.

CHILDREN OF ROZELLA ALBERT AND DAVID MILLER

i. Harry (+)
ii. Rosa Lee, died February 22, 1939
iii. Bessie Marion married Francis A. Thomure
iv. Mary (+)

HARRY MILLER (Rozella Albert, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Harry Miller, son of David and Rozella (Albert) Miller, married Lucinda Parker. They live on Rural Route 1, Greenville, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF HARRY MILLER AND LUCINDA PARKER

i. Marion
ii. Sara

MARY MILLER (Rozella Albert, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Mary Miller, daughter of David and Rozella (Albert) Miller, married Bernard Stephen Miller. The latter, who is not a relative, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. They have a drug store and a nice home at 1202 27th Street, Granite City, Illinois. I visited them in 1956. Mrs. Miller furnished me valuable family data from old notes in possession of her sister. The Millers have one child, a son, Bernard Stephen Miller II.

JOHN HARVEY ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

John Harvey Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born October 22, 1865 in Marion County, Illinois. He died in February 1928 in Sandoval, Illinois. He married Maggie Eidman, who was born April 20, 1878, and who was still living in Sandoval in 1953 with her sons Levie and Matthew, both bachelors. I have called

upon them at their home twice.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HARVEY ALBERT AND MAGGIE EIDMAN

i. Worney (+)
ii. Levie
iii. Matthew

WORNEY ALBERT (John Harvey, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Worney Albert, son of John Harvey and Maggie (Eidman) Albert, was born in Marion County, Illinois. He died in 1942 in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Albert married Helen Miketta who is of German-Polish descent. They had one son, Charles Harvey Albert. The latter is married and teaching in New York. He and his wife have two adopted children - none of their own.

WILLIAM HENRY ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

William Henry Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born February 21, 1847 in Marion County, Illinois. He was a resident of Salem Township and of Odin, Marion County. He was a farmer by occupation. He died of pneumonia at Odin July 30, 1907 and was buried in the Odin Cemetery on August 1, 1907.

Mr. Albert married Amanda Jane Maples on April 2, 1868 (Marriage Book D, page 52, Marion County, Illinois). Mrs. Albert, who was a daughter of James and Ann (Lacey) Maples, was born March 5, 1852. She died February 29, 1916 at Odin, Illinois and is buried in the Odin Cemetery.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM HENRY ALBERT AND AMANDA JANE MAPLES

i. Elvira Alice, b. Aug. 6, 1870, d. Los Angeles, Calif and buried at Inglewood Park Cemetery. Married William Elwood Ingram, Two children.

ii. Christina Caroline Albert, born Feb. 9, 1873, Salem Twp, Marion County, Ill. Married Edgar Otto Trout
iii. Marth Anne Albert (+)
iv. Willie Brunett Albert, born Nov. 7, 1878, died Mar. 20, 1881, Marion County, Illinois

MARTHA ANNE ALBERT (William, Henry, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Martha Anne Albert, daughter of William Henry and Amanda Jane (Maples) Albert, was born in Marion County, Illinois, November 19, 1875. She died in Los Angeles, California in 1959. Her body was returned to Odin, Illinois for burial beside her husband who predeceased her.

Miss Albert married twice: 1) John Van Pelt Shields of Brooklyn, New York, in Richmond, Virginia on December 5, 1900; 2) Francis H. McLaughlin in New York City, New York, August 5, 1919. There were no children of either marraige.

Anne, as she was called, was a woman of great charm and talent. She had a most interesting career including a fling at the stage. At one time in her life she had a substantial income from oil properties and other holdings. She gave a lot of her wealth away but was able to care for herself financially to the end.

I had the privilege of knowing Mrs. McLaughlin in her later years. We were frequent correspondents. She was very interested in the genealogy of the family and was the source of considerable data found in this treatise.

MATTHEW ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

Matthew Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born in Marion County, Illinois, March 13, 1845. He died in August 1932 in Marion County and was buried in the Antioch Cemetery. He was

a member of the Christian Church as based on information furnished by Louis Elmer Albert, son of the subject.

Matthew Albert married Frances A. Farthing (Book D, page 58, Marriage Records, Marion County, Illinois). The latter died in 1941 and is buried in the Antioch Cemetery.

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW ALBERT AND FRANCES A. FARTHING

i. Jasper died in childhood
ii. Louis Elmer
iii. William Omer
iv. Lottie
v. Lily
vi. Alta
vii. Minnie
viii. Everth
ix. Ethel

LUCINDA ANN ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

Lucy Albert, daughter of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born November 8, 1862 in Marion County, Illinois. She married Emory Cook.

CHILDREN OF LUCINDA ANN ALBERT AND EMORY COOK

i. Mabel married George Becker, lived Route 2, Nokomis, Illinois
ii. John married Lizzie Bumbardner and had three children, Johnnie, Marie, and Genevieve
iii. William - Single, killed in mine accident
iv. Fred - killed in train accident
v. Bessie (+)
vi. Ella married William Bricker, no children, lives in Effingham, Illinois
vii. Ann married Henry Kehder, lived in Beckemeyer, Illinois
viii. Maud married Mack Stine, Route 2, Vandalia, Illinois

BESSIE COOK (Lucy Ann Albert, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Bessie Cook, daughter of Emory and Lucy Ann (Albert) Cook, married twice: 1) Jesse Albert (John, Simon, Jacob, Simon, Michael), a distant cousin; 2) John Bricker, by whom she had five children, whose names I do not have.

CHILDREN OF BESSIE COOK AND JESSE ALBERT

i. Gene
ii. Henry
iii. Emory
iv. Violet
v. Jesse Lee

JOHN HARVEY ALBERT (Willis, Simon, Michael)

John Harvey Albert, son of Willis and Lucinda (Burge) Albert, was born October 22, 1865 in Marion County, Illinois. He died in February, 1928, in Sandoval, Marion County, Illinois.

John Harvey Albert married Maggie Eidman, who was born April 20, 1878 in Darmstad, Illinois. She was still living with her two youngest sons, Levie and Matthew Albert, in the old home place in Sandoval, Illinois, in 1957.

Levie Albert, second son of John H. Albert, has assisted me in obtaining data on his family. I have visited him at his home in Sandoval on at least two occasions.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HARVEY ALBERT AND MAGGIE EIDMAN

i. Worney
ii. Levie, single
iii. Matthew, single

LOUISA WARE (Catherine Albert, Simon, Michael)

Louisa, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Albert) Ware, was apparently the fourth child of her parents. I have no information as to the date and place of her birth. She died near Little Rock, Arkansas in 1866.

Louisa Ware married Calvin Malcolm. The latter married a second time after the former's death.

Calvin and Louisa Malcolm accompanied John H. Ware to Denton

County, Texas in 1853.

CHILDREN OF LOUISA WARE AND CALVIN MALCOLM

i. Alla (97)
ii. Robert (98)
iii. Dick (99)
iv. Mary (100)
v. Martha (101)
vi. John (102)

WILLIAM ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (Matthew, Simon, Michael)

William Albert, son of Matthew and Ann (Sharp) Albert, was born April 22, 1832 in Marion County, Illinois. He lived most of his adult life in Clinton County, Illinois, where he died May 28, 1873. Most of the basic data herein was copied by me on November 14, 1954 in Posey, Illinois, at the home of Henry Sherman Albert, son of William Albert, supplemented by Civil War Pension File No. 665, 813. Henry Sherman Albert told me his father became suddenly ill while doing the chores around the barn on the day of hid death. Within a matter of hours he had choked to death.

William Albert married twice: 1) Emerine Greathouse, who died August 1, 1856, and 2) Nancy Mariah Hull, who was born September 5, 1835 and died April 15, 1901. Nancy Mariah (Hull) Albert, after William Albert's death, married R. G. Stovall, 1 Oct. 1876.

William Albert was in the Union Army during the Civil War having served in Company I, IIth Illinois Infantry. His description at enlistment was: complexion, fair; eyes, blue; hair, light; height, 6 feet. He was a farmer by occupation.

The following U.S. Census records are pertinent:

1860 Clinton County, Illinois

630-645	William Albert	28	Farmer	Illinois
	Maria "	24		"
	Eliza "	7		"
	Emaline "	5		"
	John "	2		"

1870 Clinton County, Illinois

41-42	William Albert	38	Farmer	Illinois
	Nancy M. "	33		"
	Martha "	17		"
	John "	14		"
	Henry Sherman "	3		"
	Hardin "	1		"

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM ALBERT

(A) By Emerine Greathouse
i. Louisa Ann, b. Nov. 24, 1852, married William Daniels, Jan. 6, 1876, d. Aug. 24, 1927 (+)
ii. Martha E. (Hull), b. May 9, 1846, married William Hull, April 10, 1881, d. April 24, 1901 as Posey, Illinois.
(B) By Nancy Mariah Hull
iii. John Matthew (+)
iv. William N. b. Aug. 7, 1862; d. Oct. 26, 1863
v. Henry Sherman (+)
vi. Hardin Edwin (+)
vii. Infant daughter, b. Sept. 20, 1871, d. Sept. 21, 1871
viii. Infant son, b. & d. Oct. 20, 1872

LOUISA ANN ALBERT (William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Louisa Ann Albert, daughter of William and Emerine (Greathouse) Albert, was born November 24, 1852. She died April 24, 1921.

Louisa Ann Albert married twice: 1) to William Daniels on January 6, 1876; 2) to William Galyon.

CHILDREN OF LOUISA ANN ALBERT

(A) By William Daniels
i. Fred Daniels
ii. Jane Daniels (married Lee)
iii. Bertha Daniels (married Aderholt)
(B) By William Galyon
iv. Ben Galyon
v. Minnie Galyon (married Marvell)

MARTHA E. ALBERT (William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Martha E. Albert, daughter of William and Emerine (Greathouse) Albert, was born May 9, 1856. She died April 24, 1901 at Posey, Illinois and is buried in the Posey Cemetery. She married William Hull.

CHILDREN OF MARTHA E. ALBERT AND WILLIAM HULL

i. William, Jr., married Hattie Barber
ii. Bertha (spinster)
iii. George, married Janie Parks; d. 1936
iv. Nellie, married George Gaston, Route 1, Carlyle, Ill.

JOHN MATTHEW ALBERT (William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

John Matthew Albert, son of William and Nancy Mariah (Hull) Albert, was born January 27, 1859 in Clinton County, Illinois. He died June 23, 1927 at Posey, Illinois. He married Sarah E. Crocker on August 6, 1885, and they had only one child, a daughter, Etta Albert (m. Phillips).

HENRY SHERMAN ALBERT (William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Henry Sherman Albert, son of William and Nancy Mariah (Hull) Albert, was born February 25, 1867 in Clinton County, Illinois. He died at Centralia, Illinois October 6, 1960.

Mr. Albert married four times: First to Minnie Dell Chaffin, granddaughter of my great-great grandfather, Elias Chaffin, and daughter of John Chaffin; Second to Lena Folkman; Third, to Mollie Gray (nee McGuire); Fourth, to Ellen Statten. He had children by the first and second marriages.

Sherman Albert, as Henry Sherman Albert was always known, lived to the ripe old age of almost 94 years. He lived alone in a little house near Posey, Illinois, near the scene of his childhood, for many

years prior to his removal to Centralia during his last illness. He received his mail on Route 3, Carlyle, Illinois. During his later years I visited him many times.

CHILDREN OF JOHN MATTHEW ALBERT

(A) By Minnie Dell Chaffin
i. Clarence (+)
ii. John Thomas (died in infancy)
iii. Sophia Ellen, married Luther Hamilton, lived in Carlyle, Ill.
iv. Jennie Dell (+)
(B) By Lena Volkmann
v. Elizabeth, married Harry Hutsel and lives 2919 Marshall Avenue, Granite City, Illinois

WILLIAM CLARENCE ALBERT (Henry Sherman, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

William Clarence Albert, son of Henry Sherman and Minnie Dell (Chaffin) Albert, was born February 24, 1890 at Huey, Illinois. His address in 1961 was Rural Route 3, Box 312, Hannibal, Missouri.

Mr. Albert, who is always known as Clarence, married twice, first to Frances Ester Schlaw, and second to Christie Davis.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM CLARENCE ALBERT

(A) By Frances Ester Schlaw
i. Isadore Sydney (son of first wife by previous marriage but goes by name of Albert, address Route 1, Lake Worth, Florida
ii. Evelyn Mary Minnie, b. Central City, Illinois
(B) By Christie Davis
iii. Betty Jean, b. Hannibal, Mo.
iv. Margaret Louise, b. Hannibal, Mo.
v. Elizabeth Carolyn, b. Hannibal, Mo.
vi. Jo Ann, b. Ilaseo, Mo.

JENNIE DELL ABLERT (Henry, Sherman, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Jennie Dell Albert, daughter of Henry Sherman and Minnie Dell (Chaffin) Albert, married twice: first, to John Tratte by whom she had her only child; second to Roscoe Marshall Crosser.

For many years the Crossers have lived in Alexandria, Virginia. I have visited with her several times while serving in Congress in

Washington, D.C. Her husband, Roscoe Crosser, is an employee of the Government Printing Office.

CHILDREN OF JENNIE DELL ALBERT AND JOHN TRATTE

i. Lavern (+)

LAVERN TRATTE (Jennie Dell Albert, Henry Sherman, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Lavern Tratte, daughter of John and Jennie Dell (Albert) Tratte, married Ralph Dean Wilson, who was from Oklahoma and boasted Indian blood. I visited her once north of Carlyle, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF LAVERN TRATTE AND RALPH DEAN WILSON

i. Yvonne (+)
ii. Floyd lives in Gulfport, Mississippi
iii. Janice Gail (Grayling), Carlyle, Illinois
iv. Dolores (Miller), Carlyle, Illinois
v. Gloria (Kille), El Paso, Texas
vi. Paul
vii. Gary
viii. Laura
ix. Lynn

YVONNE WILSON (Lavern Tratte, Jennie Dell Albert, Henry Sherman, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Yvonne Wilson, daughter of Ralph Dean and Lavern (Tratte) Wilson married twice: first, to David Henderson Wilkie, who died shortly after their child was born; second to Robert Camp, with whom she was living in late 1960 in Gulfport, Mississippi.

I visited Yvonne and her mother and others of her family north of Carlyle, Illinois, once. She later visited me in Washington, D.C. She was a very fine and attractive girl who had the misfortune of losing her first husband shortly after her first baby was born. The latter was a fine looking boy.

CHILDREN (AS OF 1960)

(A) By David Henderson Wilkie
i. Daniel Keith
(B) By Robert Camp
ii. Susanne Jeanette
iii. Julianne

HARDIN EDWIN ALBERT (William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Hardin Edwin Albert, son of William and Nancy Mariah (Hull) Albert, was born April 20, 1869 in Clinton County, Illinois. He died November 1, 1944 at South Poplar Bluff, Missouri and was buried at Three Springs Cemetery, Missouri. He was a farmer and a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Albert married Louisa C. Carter on March 2, 1898. Miss Carter, daughter of William and Martha Catherine (Petrea) Carter, was born in Illinois, January 17, 1871. She died March 3, 1933 at South Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and was buried at Three Springs Cemetery, Missouri. Her father, William Carter was a Union veteran of the Civil War. He and William Albert participated in some of the same battles, Mr. Albert having seen Mr. Carter on the day the latter was wounded. (Per Bertha Edna Riggins).

CHILDREN OF HARDIN EDWIN ALBERT AND LOUISA C. CARTER

i. Bertha Edna (+)
ii. Lettie May (+)
iii. Eva Vica (+)

BERTHA EDNA ALBERT (Hardin Edwin, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Bertha Edna Albert, daughter of Hardin Edwin and Louisa Catherine (Carter) Albert, was born December 2, 1898 in Illinois. She married Joseph Earl Riggins on June 15, 1920 at Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Mr. Riggins was born April 24, 1894 in Mississippi, the son of

Granville and Azalea (Macom) Riggins. He lived in Missouri and Kansas and died December 7, 1923 at Fort Bayard, New Mexico. He was a farmer. He also served in the Navy as a fireman first class.

After her husband's deaht, Mrs. Riggins remained a widow. She lives at 817 Franklin Street, South Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

CHILDREN OF BERTHA EDNA ALBERT AND JOSEPH EARL RIGGINS

i. Roy Vernon Riggins (+)

ROY VERNON RIGGINS (Bertha Edna Albert, Hardin Edwin, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Roy Vernon Riggins, son of Joseph Earl and Bertha Edna (Albert) Riggins, was born December 1, 1921 in Missouri. He married Anna May Sissnay.

Mr. Riggins makes his home in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, where he is an employee of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

CHILDREN OF ROY VERNON RIGGINS AND ANNY MAY SISSNAY

i. Gary Joe, b. Poplar Bluff, Mo, May 8, 1944
ii. Cheryl Annette, b. Poplar Bluff, Mo., April 8, 1951

LETTIE MAY ALBERT (Hardin Edwin, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Lettie May Albert, daughter of Hardin Edwin and Louisa Catherine (Carter) Albert, was born March 1, 1905 in Illinois. She married twice: 1) to Neeley Wallis; and 2) to Charles Fred Lee. All of her children are by her second husband.

Charles Fred Lee, son of Perry and Jane Lee, was born March 21, 1911 in Illinois. He married Lettie May (Albert) Wallis on January 27, 1934. He is a carpenter and painter by occupation.

CHILDREN OF LETTIE MAY ALBERT AND CHARLES FRED LEE

i. Perry Albert Lee (+)
ii. Henry Allen Lee, b. Dec. 14, 1937, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

PERRY ALBERT LEE (Lettie May Albert, Hardin Edwin, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Perry Albert Lee, son of Charles Fred and Lettie May (Albert) Lee, was born January 27, 1936 at Poplar Bluff, Missouri. He married Marjorie Hines on September 3, 1955.

CHILDREN OF PERRY ALBERT LEE AND MARJORIE HINES

i. Michael Perry Lee, b. Oct. 6, 1956, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

EVA VICA ALBERT (Hardin Edwin, William, Matthew, Simon, Michael)

Eva Vica Albert, daughter of Hardin Edwin and Louisa Catherin (Carter) Albert, was born April 4, 1907 in Illinois. She married Walter R. Sheehy, August 10, 1929, at Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Mr. Sheehy, son of Edward and Hazel (Carsoner) Sheehy, was born July 30, 1907 in Missouri. He is a mechanic and welder. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheehy have no children.

MARION ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

Marion Albert, son of James and Jane (Young) Albert, was born about 1841 in Illinois in Marion County. He was mortally wounded in battle at Helena, Arkansas on 25 May 1863. He died 27 May 1863 in the General Hospital at Helena. (Service and pension records of Marion Albert)

Marion Albert never married. He was a soldier in the Union Army during the Civil War, having enlisted in Co. I, 5th Kansas Cavalry, on 23 May 1861 at Ft. Curtis, Springfield, Missouri. He also served in Co. J of the same regiment. His mother, Jane Albert, draw a pension as a result of his service (Civil War Pension File No. 170, 893).

The service file of Marion Albert shows that he traveled 25 miles from McDonald County, Missouri upon enlistment. His description at the time was "age 20; height 5'5 1/2"; complexion, fair; eyes, gray; hair, fair." His papers also showed that he was born in Marion County, Illinois. Various papers in his pension file contain considerable data on him and his family. One item is a letter written by him on a single sheet of paper from Helena, Arkansas on 16 February 1863 to his widowed mother and to Francis and Susan Albert, his youngest brother and sister. The letter is difficult to read, but I have endeavored to set it down as fully as possible just as it was written. I think it shows some insight into the lives of our people many of whom were living in the Ozark country during the Civil War.

"Feb. 16, 1863 helena, Ark.

Dear mother It is with plesur i set myself down to inform you that i am well and in good health. I am in the service at helena. I am in the 5th Kansis Ca. Co. J. Capt. Carrey is my Captain.

I got a letter from Henry and Rubin and John ant rody also. I will send you some money if you will write to me Henry got a letter from you he said and you was in Mt. Vernen.

So fair you well this time mother so fair you well for while mother.

Well Francis good morning and how do you do i am well how do you stand the times.

Dear Brother after my last _____ and reply to you I will inform you that i am well at present i hope that these few lines will find you well isnt much left to write this time so no more at present but remain yours truly until death.

Marion Albert to Francis Albert

Well Susin you must be a good girl until i get out of the service then i will come home and buy you a dress. If you see my girl tell her that i will come back some time So no more at present

Yours Marion Albert to Miss Susan Albert"

The "ant rody" he refers to is probably his mother's sister, Rhoda (Young) Marshall, wife of James Marshall.

The pension file also contains two letters from Marcus Richardson, comrade of Marion Albert, to the latters' mother, the first relating the fact that he had been wounded and the second that he had died. The first letter reads:

"May 26, 1863

Misses Albert I take my pen in hand to inform you that your son Marion Albert were wounded on the 25 of this month but the doctor thinks that he will get well he is shot in the left side but the doctor dont think that it is dangers. I think that he will recover from his wound purty soon you must not take it hard fur there are pleanty chances fur him to get well. I think no more at present direct your letter to me the same regiment and Co.

Marcus Richardson"

The second letter follows:

"May 28, 1863

Mrs. Albert it is with sadness and it will bring sadness to you the noos that you will hear in this letter. Marion Albert died the 27th of this month that is bad news to you I know but we all that is in the Army are lyable to that fate for we havent any ensurance of our lives in a battle but Marion died a fiting fur his country and

there is thousands went the same way the pore fellow fought manly but he were overpowered by overwhelman numbers there were 150 of our men and te rebels number were 1000 which were near 8 1/2 men to our one Our Co. were 6 men cilled 50 wounded 62 in all but they were too hard for us we had to retreat back one mile till we got reinforcements Mrs. Albert Marion has a likeness here and I will start it with this letter to you for you have the best rite to it of any one that I know of this time you must write to me and then I will have the lieutenant to setel up his business and send you his things direct your letter to the 5th Kans. Cav. Co. J. helena Ark

Marcus Richardson"

Among others the file contains affidavits from John M. and Nancy Johnson, Reuben Scholes, Susan DuRoss, R. C. Malcolm, and Francis Albert, a brother.

Susan DuRoss, sister of Marion Albert, gave an affidavit dated December 1871 in Iron County stating she was living with Jane Albert. Reuben Scholes said in his affidavit, dated 3 March 1873, Marion County, Illinois, that Marion Albert had worked for him for about two months in 1860. John M. Johnson, brother-in-law, in an affidavit dated 21 September 1874, Iron County, Missouri said that Marion Albert had worked for him commencing about 1 April 1860 and that he "paid him 50 cents a day and board". The following census record bears this out:

1860 Barry County, Missouri, page 914

702-689	John M. Johnson	22	Farmer	Missouri
	Nancy "	20		Illinois
	Marion Albert	19	Farm Laborer	Illinois

RILEY ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (William, Simon, Michael)

Riley Albert, son of William and Nancy Albert, was born in Illinois, probably Marion County, about 1832. He was listed as 18 years old in

the 1850 Reynolds County, Missouri Census. The 1830 and 1840 Census records for Marion County, Illinois, indicate that his father and family were living there on both dates.

I have no record of the death of Riley Albert. He probably died some time between 1870 and 1880. He was apparently living in Reynolds County, Missouri in 1870. (U.S. Census) He did not appear in the 1880 Census for the same county. His death between 1870 and 1880 is also consistent with information given me by some of his descendants who advise that his younger children were reared as orphans.

Riley Albert married Caroline Brawley (Information furnished me by Sam Albert, of Reynolds County, Missouri, from his mother's Bible). The 1860 Census records show Easter Albert under the name of Riley Albert, both shown as being 27 years of age at the time. Whether she was the first wife and mother of Riley's older children and Caroline Brawley was a second wife I do not know. It will be seen from the 1860 and 1870 census records that this was possible. The latter census does not indicate that Riley Albert was married at the time.

The following census records seem to be pertinent:

1850 Reynolds County, Missouri

William	Albert	54	Kentucky
Nancy	"	452	Tennessee
Riley	"	18	Illinois
Martha	"	13	Illinois
Mary	"	10	Missouri
Catherine	"	8	Missouri
Easter	"	6	Missouri

1860 Reynolds County, Missouri

Riley	Albert	27	Illinois
Easter	"	27	Illinois
Elijah	"	7	Missouri
William	"	3	Missouri
John	"	1	Missouri

1870 Reynolds County, Missouri

William Albert*		37	Illinois
Elijah	"	17	Missouri
Martha	"	15	Missouri
William	"	13	Missouri
John	"	11	Missouri
Richard	"	4	Missouri
Gladden	"	2	Missouri

*This census record indicates that Riley Albert's name was probably William Riley but that "Riley" was used to differentiate him from his father. Note the wide age span between Richard and Gladden and the older children giving credence to the theory that Riley was married twice.

During a visit to Reynolds County, Missouri, in 1957 I was told by several old settlers that Riley Albert lived on Sinking Creek and that Obe Niel owns the place on which he lived. I was also told that his younger children were reared by a family by the name of Brawley.

CHILDREN OF RILEY ALBERT

i.	Elijah	68
ii.	Martha	69
iii.	William	70
iv.	John	71
v.	Richard	72
vi.	Gladden	73

JOHN HENRY WARE (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (Catharine Albert, Simon, Michael)

John Henry Ware, son of Henry and Cathorine (Albert) Ware, was born January 3, 1828 near Salem, Marion County, Illinois. He died January 1, 1919 in Springfield, Green County, Missouri. He was buried on his 91st birthday, January 3, 1919 in the National Cemetery at Springfield. The funeral was held by Rev. Metler of the First Baptist Church at Paxton Undertaking Parlor.

John H. Ware married twice: First, he married Mary Ann (Polly) Snodgrass, October 10, 1846 in Marion County, Illinois, "3 miles southeast of Salem in one mile of where I was borned." Second, he married Jane Snodgrass.

Mary Ann Snodgrass was a daughter of Robert and Jane (Young) Snodgrass. Both she and John H. Ware, her husband, were first cousins of my grandfather, Eli Albert. Her mother, Jane Young, was a sister of Patsy Young, Eli Albert's mother. John H. Ware's mother, Catharine Albert, was a sister of Eli Albert's father, Jacob Albert.

Jane Snodgrass, second wife of John H. Ware, was the daughter of Jackson and Mary ____ Snodgrass and a niece of Mary Ann Snodgrass, John H. Ware's first wife.

No extensive biography of John H. Ware is needed. He has written his own portrait in Family Record.

John H. Ware and my great grandfather, Eli Albert, were both born in Marion County, Illinois in 1828. They were neighbors in Marion County as children and young men. Later on they both lived in southwest Missouri where they were close for many years. A number of their descendants whom I have interviewed in recent years remember one another as children more than seventy years ago. These include Ira Albert, Otis Albert, Alice May Boatwright, Mack Ware, John H. Ware, Jr., Ellen Long, and Joseph A. Gillman.

John H. Ware went to Texas with his cousin, William Albert; his wife's cousin, Sampson Snodgrass; his brother-in-law and sister Luisa and Calvin Malcolm in October 1853.

John H. Ware was a soldier in the Union Army during the Civil War. He served in Co. E, 2nd Battalion, Missouri State Militia. He enlisted

in 1862. He was a Civil War pensioner (File No. 566938).

When the Civil War first started he moved to Kansas for safety leaving his family with Jackson Snodgrass. During the War he was wounded in the left cheek in the Battle of Independence, Missouri. The wound caused a permanent crying in his left eye.

After the war he lived many years in Barry and McDonald Counties. He was a blacksmith by trade and served for a long time as Justice of the Peace. He was appointed Postmaster at Star, Barry County, but was unable to take the position because of the crying in his eye. From 1891 to 1898 he lived in Washburn, McDonald County, Missouri. The house in which he lived was still standing in 1958 when Joseph A. Gillman showed it to me.

U.S. Census records pertinent to John H. Ware are as follows:

1850 Randolph County, Illinois

P. O. Chester

74-80	John H. Ware	22	Blacksmith	Illinois
	Mary "	23		Illinois
	Emily "	3		Illinois
	Henry "	7/12		Illinois

1870 McDonald County, Missouri, p. 54

3-3	John H. Ware	42	Farmer	Illinois
	Mary "	43		Illinois
	Nathan "	17		Illinois
	Rhoda "	14		Illinois
	Louisa "	11		Illinois
	Juliann "	5		Illinois

1880 McDonald County, Missouri

210-220	John H. Ware	52	Blacksmith	Ill.	Tenn.	Va.
	Jane "	34	Wife	Ill.	Tenn.	?
	Louisa C. "	19	Dau.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	Julia A. "	14	Dau.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	Ellen "	11	Dau.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	John H. "	9	Son	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	Clarinda "	6	Dau.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	Mary C. "	4	Dau.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.
	Albert J. "	2	Son.	Mo.	Ill.	Ill.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HENRY WARE

By first marriage, Mary Jane Snodgrass:

i. Emily, b. Nov. 11, 1847; d. Apr. 9, 1853, burial at Daniel's Graveyard, southwest of Salem, Illinois (74)
ii. Henry, b. Nov. 16, 1850; died July 15, 1853 (75)
iii. William Henderson, b. April, 1851; d. Feb. 20, 1858 (76)
iv. Elnathan, b. Nov. 13, 1853 (77)
v. Rhoda, b. April 1, 1856 (78)
vi. Margret Jane, b. March 4, 1858, Gadfly, Barry Co., Mo. (79)
vii. Louisa Catherine, b. Nov. 19, 1859, Newton Co., Mo. (80)
viii. John Wesley, b. 1862 and died in infancy (81)
ix. Benjamin Franklin, b. 1864; d. Aug. 19, 1864 (82)
x. July Ann, b. Sept. 20, 1865, Newton Co., Mo. (83)
xi. Infant (unnamed) (84)

By second marriage, Jane Snodgrass

xii. Infant (unnamed) (85)
xiii. Elen Josephene, b. May 10, 1868, Rocky Comfort, McDonald County, Missouri (86)
xiv. John Henry, Jr., b. Oct. 1, 1870, Miles Fork, Sugar Creek, McDonald County, Mo. (87)
xv. Clarinda, b. Feb. 7, 1873 (88)
xvi. Mary Elizabeth, b. March 2, 1875, Rocky Comfort, Mo. (89)
xvii. Albert James, b. July 9, 1878, 7:00 a.m., d. Dec. 19, 1884, buried at Rocky Comfort, McDonald Co., Mo. (90)
xviii. Maliciah, b. June 25, 1881 (91)
xix. Charles William, b. Sept. 28, 1882 (92)
xx. Leroy Perry, b. Dec. 18, 1884 (93)
xxi. Martin Luther, b. Apr. 5, 1887 (94)
xxii. Ernest Harrison, b. Sept. 29, 1891, West Washburn, Mo. (95)

JOHN ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

John Albert, son of James and Jane (Young) Albert, was born 21 March 1835 in Salem, Illinois. He died 1:45 p.m. on 28 March 1928 at Ironton, Missouri in the frame store building in which he lived.

John Albert married twice. First he married Hannah R. Elsner at Arcadia, Missouri in 1869. Second, he married Malissa Clementine Hendley.

John Albert had all of his children, nine daughters, by his first wife, Hannah Rachel Elsner. She was born in Hausenberg, Kingdom of Saxony. Upon her father's death she received an inheritance from the

old country. It was the money from this inheritance which enabled John Albert to establish his business in Ironton.

Hannah Rachel Albert died at Ironton, Missouri, on 15 April 1911. Malissa C. Albert was born 15 May 1865 near Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mr. Albert was a carpenter by trade in early life. After his wife received her inheritance he established a hardward and undertaking business in Ironton and followed this business for many years. According to his daughter, Laura Mayes, he moved to Ironton, Missouri where he spent the remainder of his life.

(From Family Records of Laura Mayes, Ironton, Missouri, daughter of John Albert, and from oral interview of Mrs. Mayes and her son, Thomas J. Mayes. Also from Civil War Pension File 606631).

His pension file states that at the time of his enlistment, "I was a refugee from S.W. Missouri." His grandson, Thomas Mayes, told me he was in Springfield when the war broke out and took off for Salem, Illinois where he enlisted.

All the old family pictures are in the possession of Tom Mayes, including most of his brothers and one of John Young who was killed at Chickamagua.

Like all of his brothers, John Albert served in the Civil War. He was a private in Co. C, 22nd Ill. Inf. His cousin, John W. Young, who was killed at Chickamagua, was his first sergeant. He was a pensioner (606631).

His description as given by a physician 21 October 1903 was height 5'7"; weight 150 pounds; complexion, dark; eyes, black; hair, black; occupation, cabinet maker. He was later an undertaker and merchant.

After leaving the service he lived at Edwardsville, Illinois, 1865-66; Leavenworth, Kansas, 1865-66 (As was in manuscript); and Ironton, Missouri after 1867.

John Albert was a soldier in the Civil War having served as a private in Company C, 22nd Illinois Infantry.

Following is given by Laura Mayes. The 1870 Census for Iron County, Missouri shows a child, Malissa, age 10. This evidently was not a child of John and Hanna Albert. All children were apparently born in Ironton, Iron County, Missouri, as follows:

CHILDREN OF JOHN ALBERT AND HANNAH RACHEL ELSNER

i. Rosie Jennie, boen 27 Feb. 1871 and married Dick Childers
ii. Minnie, born 8 Aug. 1872, died 5 Mar. 1947, married Jessie Pease
iii. Laura Artamism, born 11 July 1874 and married Frank Mayes
iv. Lillie M, born 22 Sept. 1876 and married William Mund
v. Maggie, born 1878 and died in infancy
vi. Nellie A., born 3 Oct. 1880, died 5 Mar. 1946 and married Anderson Rust
vii. Effine L., born 4 Oct. 1882, spinster
viii. Bertie P., born 11 Nov. 1884 and died in infancy
ix. Clara A., born 2 July 1888 and married Peter Leff

HENRY ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

Henry Albert, son of James and Jane (Young) Albert, was born 13 August 1837 in Marion County, Illinois. He died 2 May 1904 in St. Louis, Missouri. (Family Bible in possession of Mrs. Narcisus (Albert) Wever, 2752 Keokuk Street, St. Louis, Missouri (1960); Civil War Pension File of Henry Albert; U.S. Census Records; and oral interviews of various descendants).

He is buried in St. Louis.

Henry Albert married Elizabeth Rachel Malcom, 7 March 1858, in Newton County, Missouri. His places of residence at various times

included Salem, Illinois; Bonne Terre, Missouri; and St. Louis, Missouri.

Elizabeth Rachel (Malcom) Albert died at Bonne Terre, Missouri, 11 Feb. 1899 and is buried there. Mr. Albert was a member of the Christian Church. His occupations were blacksmith, carpenter, and wagon maker.

Henry, like all of his brothers, served in the Union Army during the Civil War. He was a private in C. K, 111th Illinois Infantry. He lost his right index finger in battle at Resaca, Georgia on 14 May 1864. He was mustered out near Washington, D.C. on 7 June 1865. He was pensioned (66,581).

Mr. Albert's personal description, at the time of his enlistment was: height, 5'7"; complexion, fair; hair, black (later gray).

At the time of his marriage Mr. Albert was a lead miner at Granby, Missouri. Many residents of Marion County, Illinois went to southwest Missouri with the opening of the mines (lead). This was true of my own great grandfather, Eli Albert, and several of his relatives, descendants of some of whom live there to this day.

Considerable biographical data on Henry Albert are available from his pension file. He went to Salem, Illinois after the War and lived there from 1865 to 1871. He apparently went from there to St. Francois County, Missouri and back to Salem, Illinois in 1874. He was apparently in Dent County, Missouri from 1880 until sometime in the late 1880's when he moved to Bonne Terre, Missouri. He apparently spent most of the 1890's in Bonne Terre, leaving there after his wife died to move to St. Louis to live with his son, Francis Marion Albert.

Among those who furnished supporting affidavits for the pension application of Henry Albert were: John R. Reddick and Wallace Mae Donald, Salem, Missouri; John G. Malcom, Salem, Missouri, who in 19 March 1887,

said he had known him since 1857; Zacharia Cornelius and his wife, Jane, Troy, Madison County, Illinois, the latter stating she had known him since he was a boy; George A. Sanders, Centralia, Illinois; Francis Albert, Salem, Illinois, brother; J. W. Carr and Alfred Patrick, Bonne Terre, Illinois; William W. Bryant and James D. and Joshua Merk, Salem, Illinois; R. Albert, Fredericktown, Missouri, brother; Francis M. Albert, age 30, Salem, Dent County, Missouri, 23 April 1890, son; Sarah J. Walker, age 23, Salem, Missouri, 6 July 1891, daughter; Adeline (Mrs. S. A.) Riley, sister-in-law of Henry Albert, Chester, Randolph County, Illinois, 28 June 1897.

The following U.S. Census records are pertinent:

1860 Clinton County, Illinois page 710

569-584	Henry Albert	23	Wagn Maker	Ill.
	Elizabeth "	24		Mo.

1860 Marion County, Illinois, page 897

1005	Henry Albert	23	Carpenter	Ill.
	Elizabeth "	24		Mo.

1870 Marion County, Illinois, page 152B

369-374	Henry Albert	33	Wagon Maker	Ill.
	Elizabeth "	34		Mo.
	Francis "	10		Ill.
	Sarah J. "	2		Ill.
	Ida "	1/2		Ill.

1880 Dent County, Missouri, Town of Salem, 3 June 1880

2-2	Albert, Henry	42	Works in wagon shop	Ill.	Penn.	Ill.
	" Elizabeth	44	Wife	Mo.	Tenn.	Ky.
	" Francis M.	19	Son, works in iron mine	Ill.	Ill.	Mo.
	" Sarah J.	12	Daughter	Ill.	Ill.	Mo.
	" John D.	6	Son	Mo.	Ill.	Mo.

The 1903 City Directory for St. Louis, Missouri has the following

pertinent listings:

Frank Albert, blacksmith, 3223 Morganford Road

Henry Albert, wagon maker, same address

CHILDREN:

i. Julie A. F., born 9 June 1859 and died 20 June 1859
ii. Francis Marion, born 9 Nov. 1860 in Marion County, Illinois
iii. Sarah June, born 27 Aug. 1867 in Marion County, Illinois
iv. Ida Bell, born 24 Nov. 1869 and died 18 March 1872
v. Tobel, born 24 May 1873 and died in infancy
vi. John David, born 16 May 1874
vii. Henry H. E. Albert, born 6 Aug. 1880, and died 30 July 1881
(Information on children from Family Bible, supra)

NANCY ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

I have very little information about Nancy Albert, daughter of James and Jane (Young) Albert. She was apparently the oldest daughter and third child of her parents. She was born in Illinois in Marion County about 1839. (See 1850 U.S. Census for Ripley County, Missouri, on page 846). I have no record of her children.

In 1860 she was living in Barry County, Missouri as the U.S. Census for that county shows on page 914 as follows:

702-689	John M. Johnson	22	Farmer	Mo.
	Nancy "	20		Ill.
	Marion Albert	19	Laborer	Ill.

An affidavit in the pension file of (James) Marion Albert (Nancy's father), q.v., indicates that on 21 September 1874, John M. and Nancy Johnson were living in Iron County, Missouri.

John H. Ware lists her middle name, but the writing is faded and difficult to read. The name appears to be LaNorine. So, Nancy's full name may be Nancy LaNorine Albert Johnson.

REUBEN ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

Reuben Albert, son of James and Jane (Young) Albert, was born 3 miles south of Salem, Marion County, Illinois, 23 December 1843. He died 13 June 1921 at Fredericktown, Missouri and was buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery there.

Mr. Albert married Charlotte Elizabeth Davidson at Arcadia, Missouri on 12 September 1868. There were no children of this marriage.

Charlotte Elizabeth Davidson was born 15 September 1852 in Dunklin County, Missouri. She survived her husband and after his death lived with her foster daughter and husband, Florence and John Austin Albaugh in Flat River on the 10 December 1925 died and was buried in Fredericktown beside her husband.

Reuben Albert, along with his brother, Henry, served in Company K, Illinois Infantry during the Civil War. He was also a pensioner, #908,574. After the war he lived at Leavenworth, Kansas, and Granby, Ironton, and Fredericktown, Missouri. He moved to Fredericktown in 1868 where he spent the rest of his life. He was the first Mayor of Fredericktown (History of Southeast Missouri, by R. S. Douglas, page 267, Volume 1). He also served as postmaster there. After his death his widow was paid a pension at Flat River, Missouri. (Most of the data here given is from the Civil War pension file of Reuben Albert, File No. 908,574, supplemented by oral interview of Mrs. John A. Albaugh on 11 October 1957 and by Mrs. Grace Jones of Godfrey, Illinois, niece of Reuben Albert).

In 1954 and again on 11 October 1957, I visited Mrs. John Austin Albaugh, nee Florence Anola Russell, in Fredericktown. On the latter

date she advised that her husband had died and she was moving to Festus, Missouri. She was reared by Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Albert. A woman of rare beauty she was a third cousin of Mrs. Reuben Albert. She was very fond of her foster parents.

Reuben Albert, like most of his family, was short of stature, standing 5 feet 4 1/2 inches. He was described as having light hair and light complexion. He was a carpenter by trade.

The following note by Mr. Albert to the commissioner of Pensions, written in 1914, is contained in his file with reference to his age and residence at about 1850:

"My mother's residence was three miles south of Salem, Ill. and the family consisted of Jane Albert, Dead, John Albert, living at Ironton, Mo., Henry Albert, Dead, Marion Albert, killed in Civil War, Nancy Albert, Dead, Susan Albert, Dead. This place of residence was about 3 miles south of Salem in Marion County."

FRANCIS ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

Francis Albert, son of James and Jane Albert, was always called Frank. He was born about 1845 in Marion County, Illinois (Service Record). He died at his home in Salem, Illinois, according to his attending physician, Dr. H. A. Cunningham, at 11:00 p.m., 17 February 1905 (Francis Albert, Civil War PensionFile No. 604,990).

Francis Albert married Savina Annis Malcom at Salem, Illinois, 8 July 1866.

Mr. Albert was a soldier in the Union Army in the Civil War, having served in Co. K, 2nd Mo. Lt. Artillery. He was also a pensioner. According to his military record, his description at the time of

enlistment was: grey eyes; brown hair; light complexion, height 5'6".

For years he was a partner of Wm. H. (Doc) Young who was a blacksmith in Salem, Illinois. An affidavit in support of his pension given by Virgil Hayword on 8 Dec. 1899 stated: Francis Albert was "a wagon maker and carriage builder and had his shop in connection with a blacksmith shop, where he has been helping with that class of work, especially that of shoeing horses, and helping with other blacksmith work."

His wife, Savina Albert, was living in Centralia, Illinois at 514 West 2rd South Street in September 1922. I visited their son Charles Lee Albert (now Alberts) in Centralia in 1954, who, together with data taken from service, pension and census records, furnished the information upon which this biography is based.

In support of his pension the following inter alia, gave affidavits: William H. Young, his partner; James L. Davis; Smith Bagwell; William L. Holmes; and Obediah F. Evans.

Charles Lee Albert told me that his father and mother raised his cousin, Ora DuRoss, as well as his own two children.

The following from census records is pertinent:

1870 Marion County, Illinois

370-375	Francis Albert	25	Farm Laborer	Ill.
	Louisa "	23		Ill.
	Adda R. "	3		Ill.

1880 Marion County, Illinois, City of Salem, Main Street

42-42	Albert, Frank	35	Wagon Maker	Ill.	Ky.	Ky.
	" Ceal	32	Wife	Ind.	Ind.	Ohio
	" Lydia	12	Dau.	Ill.	Ill.	Ind.
	" Charles	1/12	Son	Ill.	Ill.	Ind.
	Duross, Ora	13	niece	Wis.	Wis.	Wis.
	Dewett, Lilie	20	servant	Ky.	Ky.	Ky.

CHILDREN:

i. Adelie Rosalia (Lida) born 20 October 1867 in Marion County, Illinois
ii. Charles Lee, born 28 May 1880

SUSAN ALBERT (FIRST COUSIN THREE TIMES REMOVED) (James, Simon, Michael, William)

Susan Albert, daughter of James and Jane (Young) Albert was born in Illinois, probably Marion County, about 1847 (1850 Census of Ripley County, Missouri). The date of her death is not known, but her granddaughter, Grace (Harmon) Jones, who was born in 1888, sayd that both she and her husband died when the latter's mother was only about four years old and was reared by her uncle, Frank Albert.

The following U.S. Census Record is pertinent:

1880 Marion County, Illinois

42-42	Albert,	Frank	35	Wagon Maker	Ill.	Ky.	Ky.
	"	Ceal	32	Wife	Ind.	Ind.	Ohio
	"	Lydia	12	Dau.	Ill.	Ill.	Ind.
	"	Charles	1/12	Son	Ill.	Ill.	Ind.
	Deross,	Ora	13	niece	Wis.	Wis.	Wis.
	Dewett,	Lilie	20	servant	Ky.	Ky.	Ky.

Ora Duross was Susan Albert's daughter and the foregoing gives credence to letter from Grace Jones and indicates that Susan Albert died before 1880.

Susan Albert married Charles Duross, as shown by the marriage record of Edward Hanes and Ora Harmon. Marriage Book 2, page 12, Marion County, Illinois.

According to Grace Jones, two children were born of this marriage, a son, Abe Duross and a daughter, Ora Duross. Mrs. Jones has no information on the family of Abe Duross except that he was living in Weatherford, Texas about 1900. She has heard nothing about him since.

Ora Duross married Charles Harmon, and they had a son who died in childhood, and a daughter, Grace, who married Albert Jones and who with her husband was living in Godfrey, Illinois in 1960. They have no children.

After the death of her first husband, Ora Duross Harmon married Edward Hanes in Salem, Illinois on 15 December 1896, supra. Ora died about 1899.

MARY ANN SANDERS (SECOND COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Sarah Brawley, Nancy Albert, Jacob, Simon, Michael, William)

Mary Ann Sanders, daughter of James and Sarah (Brawley) Sanders was born 15 September 1878 in Reynolds County, Missouri. She married twice: 1) Issaic Allen, and 2) Lewis Hedrick.

I visited Mary Ann Hedrick and her husband in their home in Ellington, Missouri in the fall of 1961. She was 83 years old but awfully spry and interesting. She was about five feet tall and weighed about 90 pounds. She had dark brown eyes and a very lively smile. She was really attractive for her age. I also met her daughter, Delphia Massie, who was very attractive too.

CHILDREN

i. Fred Allen, Sherrard, Illinois
ii. Emmit Allen, New Windsor, Mo.
iii. Delphia Allen Massie, Ellington, Mo.
iv. Bonnie Hedrick Vineyard, St. Louis, Mo.
v. Ethel Hedrick Vines, Mt. View, Mo.
vi. Wayland Hedrick, Ellington, Mo.
vii. Leland Hedrick, St. Louis, Mo.
viii. Alphia Hedrick Chilton, Emerson, Washington
ix. Dan Hedrick, Alixes, Illinois

LAURA ARTAMISSA ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (John, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Laura Artamissa Albert, daughter of John and Hanna R. (Elsner) Albert, was born 11 January 1874 at Ironton, Missouri. She married Frank Mayes. She was still living in Ironton, Missouri when I visited her in 1953.

CHILDREN

i. Thomas Jefferson Mayes, born 22 Apr. 1898, Ironton, Missouri, Married twice: 1) Gladys Chanleiville, who died 8 Feb. 1939 2) Elizabeth Honoker. He lives in Ironton, Mo., and is a radio repairman
ii. Odie William Mayes, born 4 Nov. 1905, Ironton, Missouri, married Ella Connelly, 10 Dec. 1927
iii. Delphia, born 2 Jan. 1908, married Howard Blair, resides Texarkana, Arkansas
iv. Elmer Virgil, born 26 Dec. 1911, Ironton, Missouri, married three times: 1) Modell McGee, 2) Evelyn McDonald, 3) Laura Hatridge
v. Margaret Joy, born 12 Sept. 1916, Ironton, Missouri, married Earl Dandridge, resides Jennings, Missouri

MARTHA ANNE ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (William Henry, Willis, Simon, Michael)

Martha Anne Albert, daughter of William Henry and Amanda Jane (Maples) Albert, was born November 19, 1875 in Marion County, Illinois. She died early in 1960 in Los Angeles, California, and her body was shipped to Odin, Illinois, for burial by her two husbands.

Martha Anne Albert, who was always known as Anne, married twice: First, she married John Van Pelt Shields of Brooklyn, New York in Richmond, Virginia, on December 5, 1900. He was of Dutch descent.

Second, she married Francis H. McLaughlin on August 5, 1919, in New York City, New York. There were no children of either marriage.

Anne was a talented and refined lady who at one time in her life had a modest fortune. During her last years she corresponded with

me regularly. She was an enthusiastic genealogist and very helpful to me in this compilation. I was shocked when her niece advised me that she had passed on. In her later years she professed the Roman Catholic faith.

FRANCIS MARION ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Francis Marion Albert, son of Henry and Elizabeth Rachel (Malcom) Albert, was born in Salem, Illinois, 9 November 1860. He was accidentally killed while on his way to work in St. Louis, Missouri, on 2 January 1918. He is buried in St. Louis. (Family Bible and oral interview of Mrs. Narcissus Wever, 2752 Keokuk Street, St. Louis, Missouri, 1960)

Mr. Albert married Arminta Chadwell in Salem, Missouri, 2 October 1881. Miss Chadwell, daughter of Joseph and Narcissus Chadwell, was born 7 February 1863 at Effingham, Illinois. She died 14 February 1935 in St. Louis, Missouri.

Francis Marion Albert spent most of his boyhood days in Salem, Illinois. An interesting bit of his background was that as a youngster he was a playmate and schoolmate of William Jennings Bryan, three times Democratic nominee for President of the United States. His stories about playing marbles with the "Great Commoner" are well known traditions among his descendants.

I have made an effort to establish the marble tradition from Bryan biographies. Unfortunately, Bryan never gave his biographers much data on his school companions in Salem. As a matter of fact, he attributed very little to this phase of his life. In his Memoirs he stated, "During those five years in the public schools, I do not recall much

that is worth recording." However, I have found very good corroborating evidence of the "marble" story. First of all, William Jennings Bryan and Francis Marion Albert were definitely contemporaries. Both were born in 1860: Bryan was eight months older than Albert. Secondly, and of more importance still, is the following passage from the "Peerless Leader, William Jennings Bryan," by Paxton Hibben (1929), at page 45:

> "Billy Bryan played town ball with the other boys, but Boston Ring was his best game. He played for keeps and amassed with keen zest a great store of marbles."

Mr. Albert lived in Salem and Bonne Terre, Missouri, after his family left Salem, Illinois. He moved from Bonne Terre to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1902 and lived there the remainder of his life. He was a member of the Christian Church. His occupations were blacksmith, carpenter and fireman.

Francis Marion Albert was listed in St. Louis City Directories as follows:

1903: 3223 Morganford Road, fireman
1904: 3223 Morganford Road, blacksmith
1906: 6141 Amanda, blacksmith
1907: 4325 Gravors Avenue, carpenter
1909: 4218 Merames, blacksmith
1910: same
1911: same
1912: same address, laborer
1913: 3725 Oak Hill, laborer
1917: 3716 Garnier, laborer

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i. Anice
ii. Ida Bell
iii. Alice, born 5 Sept. 1887, died 15 Mar. 1957, married Arnold Steffens
iv. Henry Thomas, born 23 Mar. 1890, Bonne Terre, Missouri, died in infancy
v. Harry Edwin
vi. Narcissus

vii. Clarence, born 18 Jan. 1897, Bonne Terre, Missouri, died in infancy
viii. Louise, born 29 Jan. 1898, Bonne Terre, Missouri, died in infancy

LAURA ARTAMISSA ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (John, James, Simon, Michael)

Laura Albert, daughter of John and Hanna R. (Elsner) Albert, was born in Ironton, Iron County, Missouri, on July 11, 1874. This information was given to me by the subject on June 15, 1954. She was still living in Ironton when I visited her and her son, Thomas J. Mayes, on June 15, 1954.

Laura A. Albert married 1) Uno Paul and had one child and 2) Frank Mayes, and they had a family of five children, all born in Ironton, Missouri. Her oldest son, Thomas Jefferson Mayes, I have visited twice. He was born April 22, 1898. He was twice married, first to Gladys Chanleville, who died February 8, 1939, and second to Elizabeth Horaker, his present wife. Mr. Mayes was very close to his grandfather in the latter's life time. He lives now in the old home place.

Mrs. Mayes showed me some of the old family relics during my visit. These included an old album containing the pictures of John, Henry, Reubin, and Marion Albert. The old album which belonged to John Albert also contained a picture of John Young, 22nd Ill. Inf., with the notation, "My cousin, killed at Chickamagua".

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By first husband, Uno Paul
i. Lovey Paul, b. July 22, 1892, Ironton, Missouri
By second husband, Frank Mayes
ii. Thomas Jefferson
iii. Odie William, b. Nov. 4, 1905, married Dec. 10, 1927 to Ella Connelly
iv. Delphia, b. Jan. 2, 1908, married Howard Blair, and lives in Texarkana, Arkansas

v. Elmer Virgil, b. Dec. 26, 1911, married 1) Modell McGee, 2) Evelyn McDonald, 3) Laura Hatridge
vi. Margaret Joy, b. Sept. 12, 1916, married Earl Dandridge, lives Jennings, Missouri.

JOHN DAVID ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

John David Albert, son of Henry and Elizabeth Rachel (Malcom) Albert, was born 16 May 1874 at Salem, Illinois. He died 9 February 1953 at San Antonio, Texas. He was buried in St. Matthews Cemetery in St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Albert married Margarette Elen Gibson, who was born 17 March 1874 at Bonne Terre, Missouri, and who died 25 August 1955 at Afton, Missouri, and was buried in St. Matthews Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri. She was the daughter of the marriage of Calvin Gibson and Margrette Post.

John David Albert lived for some time at 5342 Willard, Afton, 23, St. Louis, Missouri. He was a wagon maker by occupation. He was a member of the Pentecostal Church.

CHILDREN:

i. Ethel, born 25 March 1894 at Bonne Terre, Missouri and married Patrick D. Cornelius
ii. Roy Edward, born 10 Nov. 1896 at Bonne Terre, Missouri and never married. Killed by a train 21 July 1921 in Casper, Wyoming. World War I veteran
iii. Delilah, born 30 Sept. 1898 at Bonne Terre, Missouri; married William A. Doerdelman; lives at 9708 Reavis Road, Afton, St. Louis, Missouri in 1960
iv. Ruth Lydia, born 15 Nov. 1905, at Bonne Terre, Missouri; married H. B. Taylor
v. Calvin Samuel, born 15 Jan. 1915 in St. Louis, Missouri; married Laura Webb.

Most of the above data were furnished by Mrs. Doerdelman.

ADDIE ROSALIA (LIDA) ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Francis, James Simon, Michael)

Addie Rosalia Albert, or Lida as she was generally called,

daughter of Francis and Savina Anis (Malcolm) Albert, was born 20 October 1857 in Marion County, Illinois. She died in January 1950 in East St. Louis, Missouri. (Data furnished by Dora Cartwright and Civil War Pension File of Francis Albert).

Miss Albert married Douglas Steele. They had one child, a daughter, Flora, who married Kelso Cartwright and whose address in 1960 was East St. Louis, Missouri, Stolle Road, Rural Route One.

CHARLES LEE ALBERT(S) (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Francis, James, Simon, Michael)

Charles Lee Alberts, son of Francis and Savina A. Albert, was born in Salem, Marion County, Illinois on 28 May 1880. As of this writing he is living at 128 South Pine, Centralia, Illinois, where he is a retired railroad man. While working for a railroad company many years ago, his first pay voucher had his name written "Alberts". He has used this name ever since.

Charles Lee Alberts (who always goes by Charley) married Rose Maddox. I visited them in Centralia in 1955. Mrs. Albert died in Centralia in September 1958.

CHILDREN

i. Harold Denman
ii. Evelyn, married Charles Paden who died in 1958. In 1960 she was living in Centralia, Illinois

SARAH JANE ALBERT (SECOND COUSIN TWICE REMOVED) (Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Sarah Jane Albert, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Rachel (Malcom) Albert, was born 27 August 1867 in Marion County, Illinois. She died 15 June 1904 at Chester, Illinois.

Sarah Jane Albert married Charles W. Walker 3 July 1885 at Salem, Missouri. Mr. Walker died at St. Louis, Missouri in January 1901.

CHILDREN:

i. Malissa, born 16 Dec. 1886; died 16 Dec. 1903, St. Louis, Missouri; married Fred Otterman
ii. Etta, born 4 May 1888 and died 17 Dec. 1892
iii. Nettie, born 1891 and died 20 Dec. 1908 in St. Louis, Missouri
iv. Robert H., born 13 Feb. 1894 in Bonne Terre, Missouri and died 6 Sept in Little Rock, Ark.; married Alice Burns, World War I veteran
v. Stevie, born 1896 and died in infancy
vi. Charley, born 1897 and died in infancy
vii. Sterre, born 1 Oct. 1897
viii. Burton, born Oct. 1898 and died in infancy-twin
ix. Fred, born Oct. 1898 and died in infancy-twin
x. Nina, born 6 July 1899 and died 16 June 1904 in St. Louis, Mo.

Above from Civil War Pension File of Henry Albert; Family Bible; oral interview with Narcissus Wevers in St. Louis, Missouri.

CALVIN SAMUEL ALBERT (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (John David, Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Calvin Samuel Albert, son of John David and Margrette Elen (Gibson) Albert, was born 15 January 1915 at St. Louis, Missouri. He lives at 216 South Tenth Street, Hannibal, Missouri, and is a minister of the gospel by profession. He and his son, Calvin Samuel, Jr., are the only male desdendants of the Albert line of Henry Albert now living.

Mr. Albert married Laura Webb.

CHILDREN:

i. Dorcas Ruth, born 31 July 1936 at St. Louis, Missouri; married William Rayburn Wells
ii. Calvin Samuel, Jr., born 8 July 1941 at St. Louis, Missouri; married Lois Ann Webb

Most of this data was furnied by Rev. Calvin Samuel Albert.

NARCISSUS ALBERT (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Francis Marion, Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Narcissus Albert, daughter of Francis Marion and Armints (Chadwell) Albert, was born 9 October 1894 at Bonne Terre, Missouri. She married Herman Wevers, who was born 24 October 1891 at Ownee, Illinois, son of Joseph and Catherine (Schluetker) Wever. Mr. Wever died 15 November 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri.

The Wevers made their home in St. Louis. Both were Roman Catholics, she by conversion. I interviewed Mrs. Wevers at her home at 2752 Keokuk, St. Louis, Missouri, on 6 September 1960. She has the old Family Bible of her grandfather, Henry Albert. She furnished me most of the information which I have on her family.

CHILDREN:

i. Byron, born 26 June 1913 in St. Louis, Missouri; married Lillian Bade
ii. Helen, born 17 November 1915 at St. Louis, Missouri; married Joseph Brown
iii. Harry, born 27 September 1917, in St. Louis, Missouri; married Viola Wevers
iv. Edward, born 24 October 1918, St. Louis, Missouri; married Hilda Arndt

HARRY EDWIN ALBERT (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Francis Marion, Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Harry Edwin Albert, son of Francis Marion and Arminta (Chadwell) Albert, was born 10 May 1892 at Bonne Terre, Missouri. He died 31 July 1956 at St. Louis, Missouri. He was a driver, steamfitter and oiler by trade.

Mr. Albert married Huldah Stremme, and they made their home in St. Louis.

CHILDREN:

i. Leona, born 14 September 1916 at St. Louis, Missouri; married Clayton Lasaulnier, and in 1960 was living in Red Bud, Illinois

Information obtained from Family Bible and interview of Mrs. Narcissus Wever, St. Louis, Missouri.

HAROLD DENMAN ALBERTS (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Charles Lee, Francis, James, Simon, Michael)

Harold Alberts, son of Charles Lee and Rose Albert was born in September 1904 in Centralia, Illinois. He was a professional car racer and died of injuries received in a race. He died September 1939 in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Harold Alberts married Madalynne Aldrich. After the death of Mr. Alberts, she married Earl Belyeu.

CHILDREN:

i. Dee Edward, twin born 3 September 1925
ii. Charles Lee, twin born 3 September 1925

Based on data furnished by Dee Edward Alberts, Bellville, Illinois as of July 1960)

IDA BELL ALBERT (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Francis Marion, Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Ida Bell Albert, daughter of Francis Marion and Arminta (Chadwell) Albert, was born 19 February 1885 in Salem, Missouri. She died 12 December 1954 at St. Louis, Missouri. She married William Mitchell.

CHILDREN:

i. Henrietta, born 5 April 1903 at St. Louis Missouri and married Edward Robbers
ii. Lea, born 4 September 1910 at St. Louis, Missouri and married Richard Mort

Information obtained from Family Bible and interview of Mrs. Narcissus Wever, St. Louis, Missouri.

ANICE ALBERT (THIRD COUSIN ONCE REMOVED) (Francis Marion, Henry, James, Simon, Michael, William)

Anice Albert, daughter of Francis Marion and Arminta (Chadwell) Albert, was born 3 August 1882 in Salem, Missouri. She died 19 February 1906 in St. Louis, Missouri, and is buried in St. Louis. She married Ben Mitchell.

CHILDREN:

i. Harriet Mitchell, born 4 April 1903; died 22 December 1954, St. Louis, Missouri; married Leonard Palozola

Information obtained from Family Bible and interview of Mrs. Narcissus Wever, St. Louis, Missouri.

CHARLES LEE ALBERTS (FOURTH COUSIN) (Harold, Charles Lee, Francis, James, Simon, Michael)

Charles Lee, twin brother of Dee Edward, and son of Harold and Madalynne, was born 3 September 1925 in East St. Louis, Illinois.

Mr. Alberts has been married twice. First, he married Mildred Curran, by whom he had his only son and child (as of July 1960, Allen Roberts.

Second, he married Betty Walzier, who has two children by a former marriage.

CHILDREN:

i. Allan (adopted)

DEE EDWARD ALBERTS (FOURTH COUSIN) (Harold, Charles Lee, Francis, James, Simon, Michael)

Dee Edward Alberts, twin of Charles Lee and son of Harold and Madalynne Albert was born 3 September 1925 in East St. Louis, Illinois.

At the present time (July 1960) he is living in Bellville, Illinois.

Mr. Alberts married Patricia Catharine Crowe.

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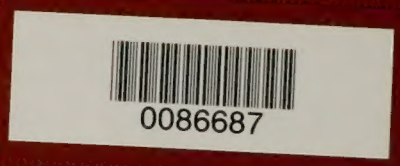
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